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City an awful client: Contractors

Charging extra for 'aggravation.' City also takes heat for millions in sole-sourced purchases

Red tape, delays and bureaucratic apathy discourage contractors from bidding on City of Toronto contracts — and when they do submit bids, they charge more for the "aggravation."

"The majority of my members don't like to bid the city, and those that do have learned how to play the game so they charge a premium," said Clive Thurston, president of the Ontario General Contractors Association, on Wednesday. "Throw in another 10, 15 per cent ... I call it the aggravation factor."

Thurston made those comments to Torstar News Service after attending a private roundtable at city hall that gave industry members a chance to air their views, at the invitation of public works committee chair Denzil Minnan-Wong.

Some contractors don't submit bids at all, Thurston said. "Denzil is right to say, 'Why are we getting fewer and fewer bidders?' Because you're not a good client."

Mayor Rob Ford and Coun. Doug Ford have been sharply critical of the city's procurement practices, particularly no-bid purchases.

So called sole-source procurement happens when work is awarded without bids, even though other suppliers are available. It's different from single-source procurement, which means there is only one supplier of a product.

Last year, city departments spent $51 million on sole-source purchases, of which only $2.7 million was for emergency work that would justify suspending normal rules.

Among last year's sole-source deals was $8.8 million worth of road work on Front between Bay and York that went to the contractor who is building a second subway platform at Union Station.

Staff said the move — approved by council in late 2012 — was justified in view of a need to complete the work before next summer's Pan Am Games.

Minnan-Wong said such deals need to be kept to an absolute minimum.

Minnan-Wong was praised for organizing the roundtable, attended by more than a dozen representatives of industry groups, such as road builders and water main contractors.

Minnan-Wong said comments from the roundtable will be sent on to city council, where he will advocate for improvements to purchasing practices. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Delays, delays

The OGCA's Clive Thurston says other "aggravations" faced by contractors include:

- **Delays improving contract changes.** "If you're looking for approval of a change order, it can go through numerous departments before someone signs off."
- **Delays making payments.** "Nobody wants to approve the cheque. They're afraid to, even though the (project) consultant has signed off and said, 'Yes, this is legit. Pay the bill.'"
- **Delays releasing bid bonds, even when a project is cancelled.** "Meanwhile, our money's been tied up, our time and effort went into the bid, we get no compensation and nobody cares."

COPS KILLED IN MONCTON SHOOTING RAMPAGE

RCMP officers use their vehicles to create a perimeter in Moncton, N.B., on Wednesday. Authorities said at least three officers had been shot dead and two wounded as a manhunt got underway in the north end. The shooter allegedly carried high-powered rifles and a crossbow. Inset, a photo RCMP posted on Twitter of the suspect, saying they were "searching for 24-y-o Justin Bourque of Moncton." Story, page 16. MARC GRANDMAISON/THE CANADIAN PRESS; INSET: TWITTER

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Privacy office checking more hospitals after data leak

Contact records.
Investigation at Rouge Valley expands after other hospitals' maternity patients recall getting RESP calls

Ontario's privacy commissioner is expanding the scope of an investigation into a privacy breach at Rouge Valley Centenary over public concerns that the leak may not be limited to the Scarborough hospital.

On Wednesday, Rouge Valley called Toronto police about two former employees who leaked patient contact information and were allegedly paid to do so by private companies, hospital spokesman David Brazeau said.

The contact records of as many as 8,300 patients, mainly new mothers, were used to try to sell the parents Registered Education Savings Plans in the days after they gave birth at the hospital.

"She made me feel like I'd talked to her before," said Nokey Burleigh, who was called by a saleswoman just days after returning home from Rouge Valley in December with her newborn daughter, Angelina.

"She was very persistent," she said.

Bryan, Nokey's husband, said the woman on the phone knew the exact date his days-old daughter was born.

"I was so shocked that our information could be out there somewhere," he said.

Other women who had given birth at different hospitals described hearing similar sales pitches, in which the caller knew they had just had a baby and aggressively tried to sell them an RESP.

The privacy commissioner is investigating the possibility that the two Rouge Valley employees had access to the patient records of other hospitals through a shared electronic health record.

"It appeared to be an isolated incident when first reported to us, but this is clearly not the case," said Ann Cavoukian, the information and privacy commissioner of Ontario, in a statement. Rouge Valley management first became aware of the leak in October 2013, Brazeau said. A second employee's involvement was uncovered after an internal investigation in March 2014.

The Ontario Securities Commission is also investigating the matter, and could potentially lay quasi-criminal charges or bring fines of up to $1 million against individuals or companies engaged in conduct contrary to the public interest.

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St. Michael's

St. Michael's Hospital launched its own internal investigation Wednesday, after hearing from a woman who said she was contacted by a private RESP seller after she gave birth at the hospital, a spokesperson said.

Ajax resident Nokey Burleigh and her five-month-old daughter Angelina. Burleigh was one of the patients that had personal info leaked at Rouge Valley Centenary.
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Ford's lobbying for firm 'not ethical,' Chow says

Rob and Doug Ford.
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Mayor Rob Ford's election rivals slammed him Wednesday for lobbying the municipal government on behalf of a company that was being wooed at the same time by Deco Labels and Tags, Ford's family firm.

"This is a pattern of misusing his public office to help his business. It's not acceptable, not appropriate and not ethical," Olivia Chow said.

John Tory said the mayor's 2011 actions offer yet more evidence that he should resign.

"The mixing up of private and public business — you can't do it," he said.

The city lobbyist registry shows that Ford and Coun. Doug Ford, Deco's president, held a meeting on June 9, 2011, with officials from multinational printing company R.R. Donnelley. The registry also shows a second and third meeting with the two Fords, Donnelley officials and senior city bureaucrats.

The Globe and Mail reported Wednesday that the mayor had pushed the bureaucrats to accept the city hall meetings — as Deco was simultaneously attempting to secure a business relationship with Donnelley.

City emails obtained by the Globe suggest the Donnelley officials pitched the bureaucrats on the idea of outsourcing its internal printing. Donnelley also wanted to conduct a comprehensive review of the city's printing operations. The city never did either.

The Fords' actions do not violate the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, which applies only to votes on the council floor. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Provincial leaders avoiding identity issues in election

Politics. Researcher notes parties are being fairly quiet on themes relevant to minorities such as immigration

Decision Ontario

PC Leader Tim Hudak tweets a photo of himself standing with members of the South Asian community during Toronto's Punjabi International Film Festival.

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath smiles for a group selfie with some black students at a secondary school in Brampton.

Liberal Leader Kathleen Wynne posts a tweet that shows her speaking from a podium with the flag of Israel hanging beside her during an occasion marking that country's 66th birthday.

Since the election was called, the three main provincial party leaders have been out in full force at events put on by or involving Ontario's visible-minority communities.

Myer Siemiatycki, a politics professor at Ryerson University and a leading researcher on the voting habits of those in Ontario's non-white communities, says the three main leaders are walking a careful line with these groups in this election.

On one hand, the leaders are showing up and actively participating in cultural events in a bid to garner support from these important and vote-rich communities. Yet at the same time, the leaders and their parties are also being very cautious about wading too heavily into identity politics, the researcher says.

As a result, the primary messaging of the three main parties has been distinctly "non-identity based," Siemiatycki says.

"One wouldn't know from the main issues raised by the leaders that Ontario is one of the most diverse of the provinces or states in the world," Siemiatycki says.

He says the key themes being pushed by the leaders mostly steer clear of anything having to do with the province's makeup.

Siemiatycki says Wynne is focusing on her budget, while Hudak is emphasizing tax relief, cutting government jobs, and creating one million new jobs over eight years.

Horwath, he says, is pointing to the faults of the Liberal government and the gas-plant scandal. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Further analysis

- Though the leaders aren't completely ignoring issues that interest minority voters, the leaders seem to be operating with the attitude that appearing to pay too much attention to their concerns — immigration, newcomer settlement and integration, for example — could provoke a backlash in parts of the province, says Myer Siemiatycki.
- Prior miscues on minority issues are also fuelling the current reticence of the leaders, the professor says.
- Siemiatycki says that visible minorities and newcomers don't, in his view, sit by definition or "overwhelming predilection" in one political camp in Ontario, and so their votes are "up for grabs."

Screen grabs of Twitter postings by the three party leaders. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

A May to remember for surging GTA house sales

It was the best May ever for house sales across the GTA, and prices continued to climb — up 8.3 per cent on average from a year ago — in the face of fewer listings and ever-more-intense competition, according to figures released by the Toronto Real Estate Board Wednesday.

The average sale price across the GTA was $585,204, up from an average of $540,544 in May 2013.

The average price of detached homes, however, which have been closing in on $1 million in the City of Toronto, actually slipped slightly from April's $965,670 to $943,055, likely more a reflection of fewer high-end sales.

Even the much-watched condo sector saw strong growth as house hunters, increasingly finding themselves priced out of the house market, turn their sights to lofts, mid- and highrise units as an alternative.

The total number of condos sold across the GTA was up 8.4 per cent last month over a year ago, with a 16.1 per cent jump in sales in the 905 regions alone, according to TREB's figures.

The number of houses sold climbed 13 per cent, making it the best May for sales on record, according to TREB. But the total number of listings — known as active listings — was down almost nine per cent, further fuelling bidding wars that have become almost de rigueur in Toronto as young buyers desperately seek out the last few remaining affordable houses within an easy commute of the core.

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Details

- New listings were down 0.8 per cent, leaving frustrated buyers few new options to consider during what is, traditionally, a peak month for open houses and sales.
- With listings down and sales up compared to last year, competition between buyers increased. The result was price growth well above the rate of inflation.
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Incident at library

Alleged indecent act with cucumber

A Toronto man is facing charges after police allege he committed an indecent act in a library while holding a cucumber.

Police say officers were called to a library in the city's northeast end on May 31, where they found a man who was sitting in the library holding a cucumber. Police say the man was recognized from an earlier incident at the same library, from which the suspect had escaped.

It's alleged that a woman studying in the library on April 7 was approached by a man who sat next to her, opened his laptop and began to commit an indecent act while holding a cucumber. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Public paint day

Make your mark on a public mural

World Cup is almost upon us and the Davenport Arts Community would like to recognize this event by inviting residents to participate in a public paint day this Saturday.

You can help with the creation of a World Cup mural that will be among the biggest in the world and be viewed by over 20,000 people every day.

The event takes place between 3 p.m. and 10 p.m. at the corner of St. Clair Avenue and Caledonia Road. All are welcome, and experience is not necessary.

The Davenports Arts Community is a not-for-profit that works with youth to beautify the city. METRO

'Box Cutter Bandit'

Man faces 6 charges for bank holdups

A Toronto man is facing six charges in connection with a series of bank holdups by a suspect police dubbed the "Box Cutter Bandit."

Police say three banks in the city's west end were robbed in March — with two of the holdups coming less than an hour apart on the same day and the third two weeks later.

It is alleged that a man entered the bank, approached a teller and leaned into the counter, displaying a box-cutter-style knife in his right hand. It's also alleged the man said he was robbing the bank and that he threatened to harm the victim and demanded a specific amount of money. THE CANADIAN PRESS

BadBadNotGood bringing the goods to Fort York show

Field Trip. Local trio takes their message to the masses

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Make no mistake: in music there are rules.

Real rock bands play guitar, bass and drums; credible MCs don't rap about certain subjects; and true punks never, ever sell out. Break these and you're liable to get shunned from your musical community.

"Every scene in music has their own trepidations," confirms Matt Tavares, keyboard player with local jazz-tinged beat makers BadBadNotGood.

After several years of free digital releases and critical acclaim the trio take their message to the masses this weekend at local indie label Arts & Crafts' second annual Field Trip festival. The appearance comes hot on the heels of the release of their new album, III.

The trio have felt the sting of arbitrary musical boundaries in the past. Weaned on an eclectic mix of hip-hop, jazz, punk, rock and R&B, BadBadNotGood represent a new generation of omnivorous musicians, raised with unlimited access to music via the Internet, untethered from trivial notions of genre. "We try to incorporate different things into our style," explains drummer Alex Sowinski.

The trio came together while attending Humber College's jazz program where they were told by one of their professors that their instrumental collection of covers of hip-hop hellions Odd Future had "no artistic merit."

But rehearsal videos of their inventive hip-hop covers caught the attention of the hip-hop community who quickly embraced the group. De facto Odd Future leader Tyler, The Creator jammed with them and they performed at Coachella as R&B crooner Frank Ocean's backing band. A collaborative record with Wu-Tang Clan's Ghostface Killah sees release later this month.

BadBadNotGood bring their untethered musical notions to Field Trip at Fort York this weekend. CONTRIBUTED

"It's so easy to listen to any type of music now," says bass player Chester Hansen. "Some people only like onions and liver, but have you really given all the flavours a chance?"

This weekend's festival

Now in its second year, Field Trip has expanded outside the confines of Arts & Crafts' already impressive roster.

- **Chvrches:** This Glaswegian trio mix beat- and synth-heavy production with sweet melodies courtesy of magnetic frontwoman Lauren Mayberry.
- **Washed Out:** Under the name Washed Out, Ernest Greene has perfected the art of chilled-out electronic pop.
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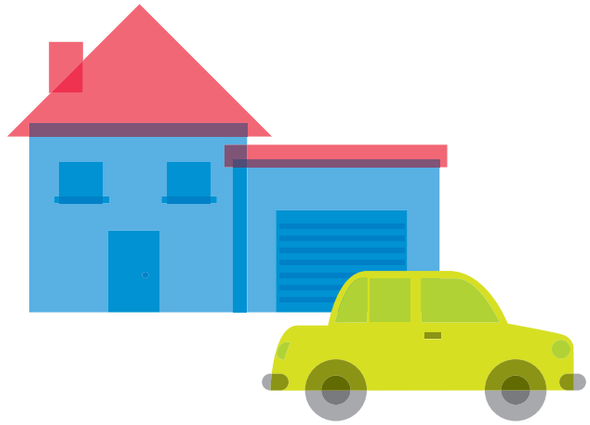

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Ontario election. Go to the polls to decline to vote

LUKE SIMCOE
Metro Online

Paul Synnott wants you to vote, even if it's for nobody.

With a week to go until Ontarians hit the polls, Synnott — a political activist from Windsor — has launched Decline Your Vote, an educational campaign aimed at giving disaffected voters a voice at the ballot box.

"I get the sense that, more than ever, people are not just undecided, but totally uncommitted," he told Metro. "These are people that would normally vote, but they're telling me there's no one they want to vote for."

Synnott is trying to raise awareness about Section 53 of the Ontario Elections Act, which allows voters to "decline" their ballot.

"It's a way of saying 'none of the above.' It tells politicians that my vote is available, but none of you are worthy of my vote," he said. "If enough people start doing this, politicians will take notice."

According to the act: "an elector who has received a ballot and returns it to the deputy returning officer declining to vote, forfeits the right to vote and the deputy returning officer shall immediately write the word 'declined' upon the back of the ballot and preserve it to be returned to the returning officer and shall cause an entry to be made in the poll record that the elector declined to vote."

The practice is counted separately from spoiled ballots, which include ballots filled out ambiguously or incorrectly.

"Declining your vote is an active, specific thing that says, 'I'm not voting for anybody,'" said Synnott.

In the 2011 election, fewer than half of eligible voters in Ontario — 49.2 per cent — showed up to the polls. Synnott believes promoting another option may actually increase voter turnout.

"It specifically appeals to the younger demographic, which is the group which votes the least," he said.

Synnott called declining to vote "Elections Ontario's dirty little secret," and chastised the organization for not making information on the practice more readily available.

"The only way you can find it is through a link to the Elections Act," he said. "If politicians were really serious about increasing voter turnout, they would tell you about all the options."

For more information, visit declineyourvote.ca

Pavement for plants

Growing a new flooding strategy

Canada's largest property and casualty insurance company is teaming up with the University of Waterloo to re-pave the way for climate change.

Researchers from the university are rolling out projects in 20 locations across Canada, including the GTA, designed to protect homes, businesses, and infrastructure, homes from the devastating flooding that can result from sudden, heavy downpours.

The initiatives include planting trees and replacing concrete and asphalt surfaces with vegetation and permeable surfaces that absorb water. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Streetcars with A/C on track for August launch

TTC. If you ride the Spadina streetcar later this summer instead of sweat rolling down your back, you'll get to bask in the air conditioning

At over 30 metres long, the new demonstration TTC streetcar pulls into Bathurst Station for a media ride-along on Thursday. RANDY RISLING/TORONTO STAR

When the city's new streetcars officially launch on Spadina on Aug. 31, the TTC's credibility will be riding alongside the paying customers lucky enough to board the first new models.

Transit officials are offering a few glimpses and test rides as part of a campaign to build excitement and familiarize riders with the features that include air conditioning, wheelchair accessibility and a new proof-of-payment system.

On Wednesday city councillors and media were treated to a quick ride down Bathurst. Next week about 40 winners of the TTC's Twitter trivia contest will get their turn.

It's something transit fans have been anticipating since the city approved the $1.25 billion purchase five years ago and it will be another five years before the new cars are gradually rolled out on all 11 routes.

TTC CEO Andy Byford said staff are making meticulous preparations behind the scenes to ensure that the new cars are seen as "modern and transformational" from the outset. He's holding weekly countdown meetings with a team responsible for the fine details of the launch, from training operators and mechanics to break-down protocols and customer communications.

Calling it a "once-in-a-generation project," he said the new fleet of 204 cars will transform riders' experience with improved comfort and reliability. He hopes it will also help silence streetcar critics.

Although the electronic Presto fare card readers won't be ready on the streetcars until Nov., Byford said he decided to roll out the first of the new cars in the summer heat.

"Fully air conditioned vehicles — there is no way we could leave them sitting there waiting for Presto to be ready," he said. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Learning curve

Streetcars should move off stops faster thanks to all-door boarding, the new proof-of-payment system means riders will have to be educated on the use of a temporary validation and transfer system until the TTC is fully converted to Presto, said spokesman Brad Ross.

- There will be vending and validation machines along Spadina and on board the new cars and extra staff on the route to help riders adjust. Metropass users, who make up nearly 60 per cent of riders, won't be affected.
- As well, motorists will need to be aware that riders will be alighting from the super-sized streetcars through four doors that slide rather than fold out on opening. Flashing LED lights over each door and a bright stop sign on the back of the streetcar will alert car drivers.

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Pimps and johns targeted in Tories' 'made-in-Canada' prostitution bill

Justice Minister Peter MacKay takes questions from reporters on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Wednesday. The Conservative government has introduced legislation that targets johns and pimps. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Legislation. New list of offences intended to reduce demand for sex services and protect sex workers: Conservatives

The Conservative government has introduced legislation to criminalize the purchase of sexual services.

The long-awaited bill would also crack down on those who reap a material benefit from prostitution.

Justice Minister Peter MacKay says the "made-in-Canada" model is aimed at targeting johns and pimps while protecting the vulnerable.

The new prostitution-related offences are intended to reduce demand for sexual services and protect those who sell such services from exploitation, as well as shield children and communities, the government says.

The bill would create new offences for:

— The purchase of sexual services and communicating in any place for that purpose.

— Receiving a financial or material benefit from the prostitution of others, including through businesses that sell the sexual services of others online or out of venues such as escort agencies, massage parlours, or strip clubs that also provide sexual services.

— Advertising the sale of sexual services in print media or on the Internet.

— Communicating for the purpose of selling sexual services in public places where a child could reasonably be expected to be present.

The legislation is the government's response to a Supreme Court of Canada decision in December that struck down key provisions of the country's prostitution laws.

While the court ruled the laws were unconstitutional, it gave the government a year to replace them.

Under the old laws, prostitution itself was legal but almost all related activities — including communicating in a public place for the purposes of prostitution, pimping and running a brothel — were criminal offences.

The new bill comes just two days after the Justice Department released the results of an online consultation which showed that a slim majority of respondents felt that buying sex should be illegal.

However, two-thirds of the more than 31,000 respondents said they thought selling sex should not be an offence.

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Big Gulps beware: N.Y.C. revisits ban on huge sodas

'Empty calories.' 2012 prohibition of sugary drinks larger than 16 ounces was overturned the month restrictions were to take effect

New York City officials urged the state's top court on Wednesday to reinstate the city's ban on big sodas, arguing that the local Board of Health has authority to restrict products that make people obese and contribute to disease.

The 2012 ban against peddling sugary drinks larger than 16 ounces at restaurants, delis, movie theatres, stadiums and street carts was overturned by the lower courts the same month the ban was to take effect. It was pushed by then-Mayor Michael Bloomberg and since backed by Mayor Bill de Blasio.

"The largest source of added sugar in the American diet, 40 per cent of added sugar comes from sugary drinks," assistant corporation counsel Richard Dearing said. "They're empty calories. They don't provide nutritional value.... They're not filling. What that means is when you consume calories from sugary drinks, you don't reduce other caloric consumption."

A Diet Coke is poured into a Big Gulp cup at a 7-Eleven store in Florida. JOE RAEDLE/GETTY IMAGES

Several judges on the Court of Appeals questioned where the board would draw the line.

Judge Eugene Piggott Jr. asked whether triple-decker burgers would be next. Judge Victoria Graffeo questioned the limit in light of exclusions like mixed coffee drinks loaded with more than 800 calories.

The board's decision was reasonable, not arbitrary, based on science, Dearing said. He added that it isn't actually a ban, only a limit on cup size.

Restaurants, theatre owners, beverage companies and small stores sued to block the restrictions. The Court of Appeals is not expected to rule on the board's request until next month.

Richard Bress, an attorney for the plaintiffs, argued Wednesday that the Board of Health lacks authority for such a policy decision and would need the City Council to first authorize it. Many council members had opposed it.

"What we didn't have was the will of the people," Bress said. "It was a first step to going over the line to tell us what portion size we can have."

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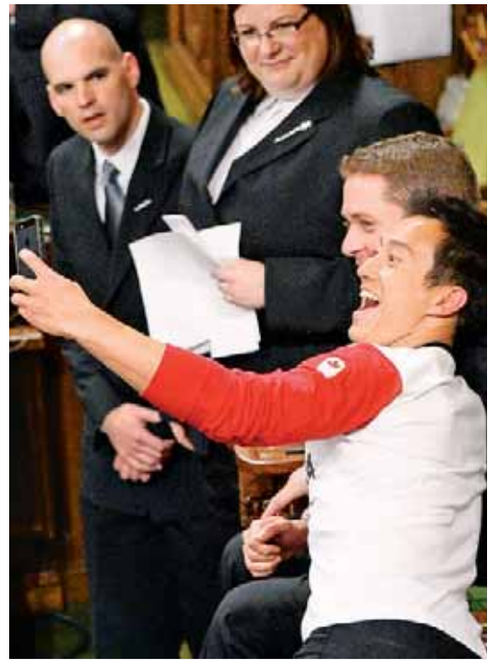

Every Chan for him-selfie

Canadian Olympic figure skater Patrick Chan takes a selfie with House Speaker Andrew Scheer as Olympic athletes were honoured in the House of Commons on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Wednesday.

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Study

Monarch butterfly decline likely due to milkweed loss

The dramatic decline in the monarch butterfly population in eastern North America is due largely to the loss of milkweed in the U.S., says a new study.

Scientists at the University of Guelph say they studied factors and confirmed theories that the lack of milkweed is likely responsible. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Florida

After pulling over detective, phoney cop in real trouble

Police say a man impersonating an officer faces charges after signalling a real detective to pull over on a road in Florida.

Authorities say Matthew Michael Lee McMahon, 20, activated a red and blue light Monday while driving behind an unmarked sheriff's car. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PM restarts CETA talks before G7 summit

Stephen Harper arrived Wednesday in Brussels for the G7 summit — but his first order of business was to kick-start his stalled free-trade deal with the European Union.

The prime minister met with European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso, about an hour prior to the official opening of the G7 summit, where the Ukraine-Russia crisis was set to dominate.

But Harper appeared eager to make progress towards getting a final text of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA).

Harper flew to Brussels to meet Barroso in a high-profile ceremony last October to sign an agreement in principle on the deal.

But the final, lawyer-approved document remains an elusive entity as some of the major irritants that stalled the protracted four-year negotiations reared their heads yet again in recent weeks.

According to EU documents, these include a disagreement over protection of intellectual property rights in the pharmaceutical sector, among other irritants.

The Harper government insists the delays are simply a matter of hammering out the precise final legal text, and are not a matter of substantive disagreement.

A stalled or scuttled deal would be politically damaging to Harper, who views a comprehensive deal with the EU's 28-country bloc to be the jewel in his crown of a series of much smaller trade agreements.

Aides to Harper, who spoke on the condition of anonymity earlier in the week, had played down any suggestion that Harper might piggyback on the G7 summit to push the trade deal.

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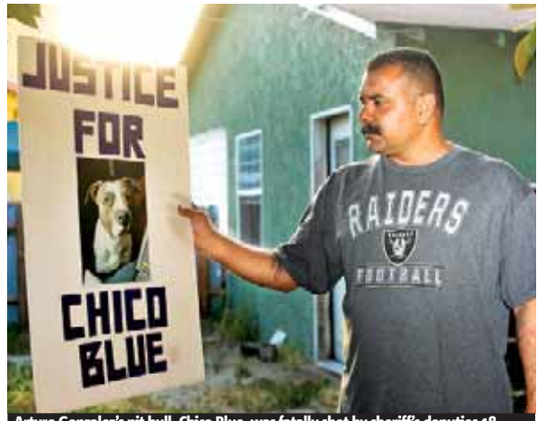

Arturo Gonzalez's pit bull, Chico Blue, was fatally shot by sheriff's deputies 18 months ago at his home in Pico Rivera, Calif. DAMIAN DOVARGANES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Videos aim to teach cops to assess canine behaviour

Five-part series. Initiative comes after study determined that majority of police shootings involve animals, usually dogs

The majority of shootings in most U.S. police departments involve animals, usually dogs, and experts say a new series of videos can help change often quick-trigger decisions fueled by fear.

"There will be times when police need to defend themselves because they are being attacked by a dog and don't have a choice, but that is the minority of cases," said Brian Kilcommons, a Southbury, Connecticut, dog behaviourist and trainer.

He is featured in the five-part series that teaches officers to detect the warning signs of an aggressive dog and how to avoid using lethal force.

Efforts to change the way officers approach animals have emerged as dogs have become a central part of the American family and lawsuits have chipped away at the coffers of law enforcement agencies.

The free videos emerged from a 2011 study by a University of Illinois centre and non-profits including the National Canine Research Council, which promotes a better understanding of relationships with dogs.

The U.S. Department of Justice helped. The study found a majority of police shootings involved animals, but it's unknown how many dogs are shot nationwide every year.

Officers have a lot to process when they respond to something like a domestic violence report, but determining whether a dog is agitated shouldn't be overwhelming, said Bill Johnson, executive director of the National Association of Police Organizations.

In the videos, Kilcommons teaches officers to survey canine body language and not to approach a fearful dog that's low to the ground with its tail tucked and ears flat to its head. He also says to watch for warning signs such as lunging, growling and exposed teeth.

There are ways for officers to avoid using guns, including putting an object like a trash can between them and the dog, carrying food that can be thrown as a distraction, or using pepper spray, he says.

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Canines vs. officers

Milwaukee began tallying dog shootings in its city in 2000, in response to a lawsuit.

- **48.** Average number of dogs shot by police annually from 2000 to 2008.
- **28.** The average number of dogs shot by police after training increased.

Caitlan Coleman and Joshua Boyle are seen in an undated photo, top, and in a frame grab from one of two videos sent to Coleman's father in which the couple asks for help to be freed from Taliban captors. COLEMAN FAMILY PHOTO

Videos show couple that disappeared held captive

Taliban. Woman and her Canadian husband travelling in Afghanistan went missing 20 months ago

The family of a pregnant American woman who went missing in Afghanistan in late 2012 with her Canadian husband received two videos last year in which the couple asked the U.S. government to help free them from Taliban captors, The Associated Press has learned.

The videos, each under two minutes long, offer the only clues about what happened to Caitlan Coleman and Joshua Boyle after they lost touch with their families 20 months ago while travelling near Kabul.

The video files were emailed to Coleman's father last July and September by an Afghan man who identified himself as having ties to the Taliban but who has been out of contact for several months. In one video, a subdued Coleman appeals for help.

"I would ask that my family and my government do everything that they can to bring my husband, child and I to safety and freedom," the 28-year-old says while seated beside her husband, whose beard is long and untrimmed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Child's fate unknown

Caitlan Coleman, 28, refers to her child in the videos, but no child is shown.

- The grandparents say they don't know the name or gender of the child, who would be about 18 months old.

Hunger strikers

Israel proposes force-feeding law

Proposed legislation to permit the force-feeding of Palestinian prisoners on hunger strike is pitting Israel's government against the country's main doctors' association and other rights groups, which contend the practice amounts to torture.

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has reportedly asked to fast-track the bill as a hunger strike by dozens of Palestinian detainees entered its sixth week.

Israel's government is promoting a bill that would allow a judge to sanction force-feeding if an inmate's life is perceived to be in danger. At least 65 of 290 participating detainees have been hospitalized since the first group began a hunger strike on April 24.

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Merkel's cellphone

Germany to probe NSA monitoring

German prosecutors have opened an investigation into the alleged monitoring of Chancellor Angela Merkel's cellphone by the U.S. National Security Agency, officials said Wednesday, in a move that could again complicate diplomatic relations between the two allies.

Documents provided by National Security Agency leaker Edward Snowden indicated in October the U.S. was monitoring Merkel's cellphone conversations, as well as those of 35 other foreign leaders.

U.S. President Barack Obama promised that new guidelines would cut back on such monitoring, except in the case of a national security interest.

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Tens of thousands of people attend a candlelight vigil at Victoria Park in Hong Kong Wednesday to mark the 25th anniversary of

Relatives mourn Tiananmen victims under tight security

Clampdown more restrictive than usual. Dozens of dissidents and critics detained, held under house arrest or sent out of the city

Yin Min said she held the ashes of her 19-year-old son and wept as she marked 25 years since he was killed in the crackdown by Chinese tanks and troops on protests at Tiananmen Square. Outside, guards kept a close eye on her home while police blanketed central Beijing to block any public commemoration of one of the darkest chapters in recent Chinese history.

"I don't even have one bit of power. Why must we be controlled so strictly this year?" Yin said in a telephone interview. "I looked at his ashes, I looked at his old things, and I cried bitterly."

Police have kept a round-the-clock surveillance of Yin's home since April, she said, and relatives' hopes of gathering and holding a public commemoration were dashed.

China allows no public discussion of the events of June 3-4, 1989, when soldiers backed by tanks and armoured personnel carriers fought their way into the heart of Beijing, killing hundreds, possibly thousands, of unarmed protesters and onlookers.

On Wednesday, scores of police and paramilitary troops patrolled the vast plaza and surrounding streets in Beijing's heart, stopping vehicles and demanding identification from passers-by. Chinese censors scrubbed domestic blogs and social media websites of comments marking the crackdown.

Some relatives of the crackdown's victims in Beijing were allowed to pay their respects at cemeteries — but only with police escorts. Others did so at home under surveillance

Authorities allowed about a dozen relatives of four people killed in the crackdown to pay their respects at a cemetery in Beijing, but they were under police escort and were watched by several dozen plainclothes officers.

The relatives laid flowers and bowed three times as is customary in Chinese mourning, Zhang said, and one of them read from a prepared text.

"A quarter of a century has passed since the June 4, 1989, massacre. In these endless 25 years, not a moment has gone by that we didn't miss you," said the text.

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Paying their respects

"Our tears have run dry, our voices are already hoarse.... With the passage of time, we will bury our sorrow deep in our hearts."

Prepared text read by relatives paying their respects at a cemetery in Beijing to four people killed in the Tiananmen crackdown

the June 4th Chinese military crackdown on the pro-democracy movement in Beijing. KIN CHEUNG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A protester holds a model of a tank covered with red paint to represent blood during a protest in front of the Chinese Embassy in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Wednesday to mark the 25th anniversary of the crackdown on the pro-democracy movement in Beijing's Tiananmen Square. VINCENT THIAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Relatives' demands ignored

The Chinese government has largely ignored relatives' demands for an admission of wrongdoing and for a complete, formal accounting of the crackdown and the number of casualties.

- Beijing's verdict is that the student-led protests aimed to topple the ruling Communist Party and plunge China into chaos.
- Protest leaders said they were seeking broader democracy and freedom, along with an end to corruption and favouritism within the party.

Hong Kong

Large crowds pack city park for night vigil

The silence on the mainland about the anniversary of a pivotal event that shocked the world contrasted with boisterous commemorations in Hong Kong.

Large crowds gathered Wednesday night in the city's Victoria Park for a candlelight vigil to remember the Tiananmen victims, holding candles aloft that turned the vast area into a sea of flickering light.

Activists laid a wreath at a makeshift memorial as the names and biographical details of people killed in the crackdown were read out. Organizers said more than 180,000 people took part, with many overflowing into the streets around the park's main entrance.

In Beijing, reporters near Tiananmen square were told to leave following the daily crack-of-dawn flag-raising ceremony and there were no signs of demonstrations or public commemorations. On normal days, most people are allowed to enter without having their IDs checked.

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Moncton police pursue shooting suspect after deadly rampage

Tragedy. Police were looking for a Justin Bourque, 24, a Moncton man last night following violent spree

Heavily armed police in Moncton look for a shooter last night following the shooting deaths of three of their comrades. THE CANADIAN PRESS

The RCMP says three of its officers were killed in Moncton, N.B., by a man armed with guns and two other officers were injured as the Mounties conducted a manhunt across the city's north end on Wednesday night for the shooter.

The RCMP in New Brunswick said on its Twitter feed that they were looking for 24-year-old Justin Bourque of Moncton. The police force tweeted an image of a suspect wearing military camouflage and wielding two guns.

RCMP spokesman Paul Greene said two RCMP officers were taken to hospital with non life-threatening injuries.

The Horizon Health Network, the province's largest health authority, said on its Twitter feed that two patients were taken to the Moncton Hospital with gunshot wounds.

"TMH is restricting visitors to those with critically ill family members. All others are asked to refrain from visiting at this time," the health board said in a subsequent tweet.

Const. Damien Theriault said police were urging people in the area to stay inside their homes and lock their doors. Drivers were also asked to stay out of the area.

"We're advising people to stay inside until further notice," Theriault said.

Federal Public Safety Minister Steven Blaney tweeted, "Shocked by the tragedy in #Moncton. Thoughts and prayers with our frontline @rcmpgrcpolice officers and families."

Theriault said the search for the suspect was concentrated in the area of Ryan Street and Hildegarde Road.

His voicemail later said that the RCMP were searching for the suspect in the area of the Moncton Coliseum.

Sean Gallacher, who lives near where police were searching, said he heard gunshots. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Men carry the casket of Dr. Mehdi Ali Qamar, the Canadian-American cardiologist who was assassinated in Pakistan while on a humanitarian mission at his funeral service in Vaughan, Ont., on Wednesday. NATHAN DENETTE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Murdered doctor a 'real servant of humanity'

Extremists. Calls for Ottawa to pressure Pakistan to better protect minorities after Canadian heart doctor targeted

A Canadian cardiologist slain by gunmen in Pakistan is being remembered as a selfless humanitarian who was targeted for belonging to a religious minority.

A burial ceremony for Mehdi Ali Qamar saw impassioned calls for Ottawa to pressure the Pakistani government to better protect religious minorities against extremism.

Qamar, an Ahmadiyya Muslim who had returned to the country to do volunteer work at a hospital, was gunned down May 26 in central Pakistan in front of his wife and two-year-old son.

His nephew, Nasir Chaudhary, read a family statement calling Qamar a "real servant of humanity who never discriminated against his patients."

Relatives remembered him for always cracking jokes and penning poems about his love of life.

Ahmadiyya Muslim Jama'at Canada president Lal Khan Malik said Qamar was "murdered because of his faith'' and said the Harper government must urge Pakistan to "stand up to extremists and promote freedom of religion."

Malik said "there is a patten to these murders," saying 137 other Ahmadiyyas have been killed in the south Asian country in the last four years.

"His murder is a direct result of the state-sponsored extremism that is practised in Pakistan."

Malik said Qamar, who lived in Ohio the last 10 years, "redeemed mankind through his good works."

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Pakistan

Brothers arrested for stoning sister to death

Pakistani police have arrested two brothers who participated in a mob attack during which their sister was stoned to death for marrying against the family's wishes, a police spokesman said Wednesday.

Nayab Haider said the two men, Ghulam Ali and Zahid Ali, were arrested from a home in the eastern Punjab province following an intensive manhunt.

Authorities arrested the woman's father after the attack, and four other people were arrested last Friday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Record breaker

13-year-old girl conquers Everest

The 13-year-old daughter of poor Indian farmers who became the youngest girl to climb Mount Everest said Wednesday that she "shed joyful tears" at the summit after a grueling climb across difficult terrain and personal fear.

Nepal requires climbers to be at least 16 years old to scale its peaks, but Malavath Poorna said she and a team of Nepalese guides climbed the 8,850-meter (29,035-foot) mountain on May 25 from the northern side in Tibet. There are no age restrictions in China.

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Finland

Five dead babies found in basement

Finnish police have arrested a 35-year-old woman on suspicion of manslaughter after finding five dead babies in an apartment building, authorities said Wednesday.

Officers found the bodies in "badly smelly packages" Tuesday in a basement cupboard of an apartment building in the city of Oulu after they were alerted to the scene by emergency services.

Leinonen said the woman couldn't give a clear motive for keeping and storing what he said appeared to be fetuses for so long. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Lifestyles of the rich. As the 99% book rooms on Airbnb, more hotels are catering to the 1%

As the gap between the wealthiest travellers and everyone else has widened, high-rollers are looking for more pampering. Case in point: this Abu Dhabi Suite at the St. Regis in Abu Dhabi. The two-storey suite, which sells for a nightly rate of $21,500 US, is suspended 720 feet above ground between the two buildings of the Nation Towers development. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Private elevators, personal shopping assistants, six-bedroom suites with their own postal codes. Even helipads. This is what the super-rich have come to expect from hotels.

For others, vacation now means renting someone's apartment, a spare room, maybe just a couch — anything to save on the cost of a hotel.

As the gap between the wealthiest travellers and everyone else has widened, so has the way people are experiencing vacations. The wealthy are looking for ever-more pampering. Many others are seeking new ways to economize.

And the lodging industry is adapting — at the high and low ends — to meet the diverging needs.

Luxury hotels are catering to financial elites from Russia, China, Brazil or the Middle East who now routinely hop around the world and don't mind dropping $20,000 US a night for a glamorous accommodation.

During the Great Recession, many resorts dropped "resort and spa" from their name. The idea was to appeal to corporate organizers who didn't want trips to seem extravagant. Excess now appears back in style.

With the recently opened St. Regis Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates, architects considered how much privacy to provide its most sumptuous suites, says Paul James, head of Starwood Hotels and Resorts' luxury properties.

"Part of the Abu Dhabi conversation was: 'Where does the helicopter land?"' James says.

More of the wealthiest travellers are now booking on shorter notice — sometimes less than a day. The St. Regis Mardavall in Mallorca, Spain, got a call from a 30-something German asking about the local weather. The receptionist reported 85 degrees and blue skies. The traveller booked the largest available suite and said he'd arrive in an hour. He made the call from his private jet circling above Madrid.

The elite traveller's experience was precisely what the Rosewood London had in mind when it opened its Grand Manor House Wing in December. The six-bedroom complex is $42,000 US a night and offers three living rooms, a library and a dining table for eight. It has its own street entrance and private elevator.

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Sweet to sour. Burt of Burt's Bees buzzed back to Maine after love affair with staffer

Conventional wisdom suggests the Burt behind Burt's Bees left the company after he became disillusioned with the corporate world in North Carolina and wanted to return to his solitary life in Maine.

The reality, Burt Shavitz says, is that he was forced out by co-founder Roxanne Quimby after he had an affair with an employee.

So the man on the Burt's Bees logo that promises "Earth-friendly natural personal care products" ended up with 37 acres in Maine, and an undisclosed sum of money.

And he's not complaining.

"In the long run, I got the land, and land is everything. Land is positively everything. And money is nothing really worth squabbling about. This is what puts people six feet under. You know, I don't need it," he told a filmmaker on the property where the company was launched in the 1980s.

The reclusive beekeeper whose simple life became complicated by his status as a corporate icon is now the subject of a documentary, Burt's Buzz, which opens Friday in cities including New York, Los Angeles, Miami, Chicago, Phoenix and Cleveland.

Burt Shavitz stands on his property in Parkman, Maine. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Interviewed by The Associated Press on his land in Maine, Shavitz declined to discuss his relationship with Quimby.

"What I have in this situation is no regret," he said, sitting in a rocking chair. "The bottom line is she's got her world and I've got mine, and we let it go at that."

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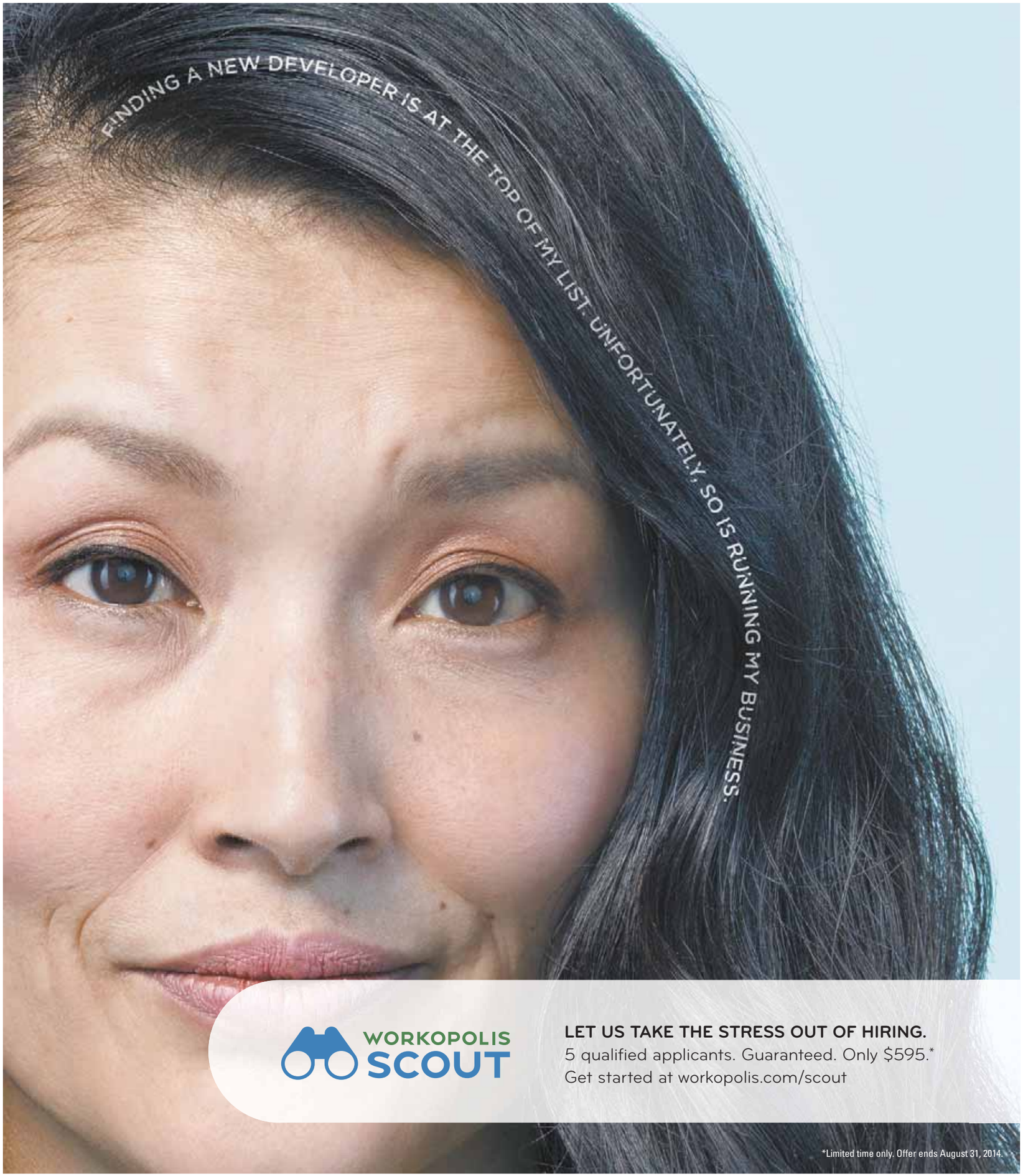
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GAME OF BLEEDING RAINBOWS & BAD ACCENTS

HE SAYS

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Game of Thrones is one of the most intensely loved shows in the history of television, which is interesting for a show that does not love you back.

The sword-and-sorcery-and-rape-and-decapitation fantasy series has its moments of joy and hope, but they're mostly there so they can be snatched away from you, like a child's toy, your shocked face part of the latest YouTube reaction montage.

Author George R.R. Martin wrote the books the series is based on, so he can be blamed for most of the emotional wallop. Then the show producers looked at a book series full of sexual assault, decapitation, castration and people getting slaughtered at weddings and said, "Hey, could be worse. Let's make it worse!"

It all came to a head in the most recent episode as the emotional and physical pain combined perfectly when (spoiler!) a much-loved character had his skull slowly crushed ON SCREEN, destroying hope and brains in equal measure. (Double spoiler!: He died.)

The impact of that scene had me thinking about what Martin could have done with some of television's most famous programs.

If all TV were like Game of Thrones …

* If Martin had written **Seinfeld**, the Master of My Domain episode would have been about who can go the longest without losing their genitals.

* If Martin had written **Reading Rainbow**, the theme song would have been, "Butterfly in the sky/Loses its wings and dies/Dare to look/Within my book/A Bleeding Rainbow (death by crossbow!)"

* If Martin had written **WKRP,** Les Nessman's cuts would have been fatal.

* If Martin had written **The Mary Tyler Moore Show**, Mary would have thrown her hat in the air and been hit by a truck.

* If Martin had written **The Wire**, the mayor of Baltimore would have been a conniving narcissist with unbridled lust for power and women, played by an Irish actor with a deeply unconvincing accent.

* If Martin had written **Friends**, one episode would have been called The One About the Incestuous Rape Over the Barely Warm Corpse of Their Child.

* If Martin had written **The X-Files**, Scully would say there are no such thing as dragons while a dragon was eating her.

* If Martin had written **Freaks and Geeks**, it would be Carrie.

* If Martin had written **The Daily Show with Jon Stewart**, your Moment of Zen would be the anguished screams of the dying.

* If Martin had written **The Larry Sanders Show**, it would be exactly the same. He loves that guy.

As you can see, I'm sort of obsessed. I feel like if the show has gotten us this invested, it must take a happy turn soon, right? I've got a good feeling about next week. And if the good guys don't start winning, I swear, heads will roll.

ZOOM

But is it cat?

Felines: 'The universal mode of communication'

SVETLANA PETROVA
Artist based in St. Petersburg, Russia

After her mother died, artist Svetlana Petrova went into a deep depression. A friend suggested dressing up Zarathustra, the kitty Petrova inherited from her mom, in costumes for a photo session as a pick-me-up. But the cat was so fat that he couldn't fit into anything. Instead, Petrova photoshopped him into works of art. Metro sat down with Petrova to get more details.

Are you a big fan of memes?
I love the concept. If I were to return to university I'd write a thesis on it. But I want to make memes that are pretty. Many memes are just plain ugly.

Why do cats have such appeal? Cats are the universal mode of communication. We may all speak different languages but we're all lovers of cats. They're a way of bringing us together to do good. For example, two years ago there was Hank, a cat that ran for the U.S. senate. For his campaign, I helped design some fake dollar bills with his picture on them. The project raised a lot of money for animal charities in the U.S. and Russia. So we managed to do good, not through people but through a cat. METRO

The Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci gets a ginger fat cat addition. Below: catified versions of Portrait of an Unknown Woman in Russian Costume by Ivan Argunov and Bogatyrs by Viktor Vasnetsov. COURTESY SVETLANA PETROVA

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Man goes in search of lost time on a motorbike

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SCREENGRAB

Every corner of the world is more connected than ever, but what about our connection to the past?

Douglas Gautraud's romanticizing of another time and his ties to his grandfathers left him wanting something outside of living life online. So, much to his mother's chagrin, he bought a motorcycle.

What follows is an endearing story about how two wheels and an engine help a man explore his relationship with his elders, and how it became his "Mom's Motorcycle." (Via Douglas Gautraud/YouTube)

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Sex, drugs and science? Take a look at rock's brainy side

The Science of Rock 'n' Roll. Ontario Science Centre offers a showcase of musical innovation

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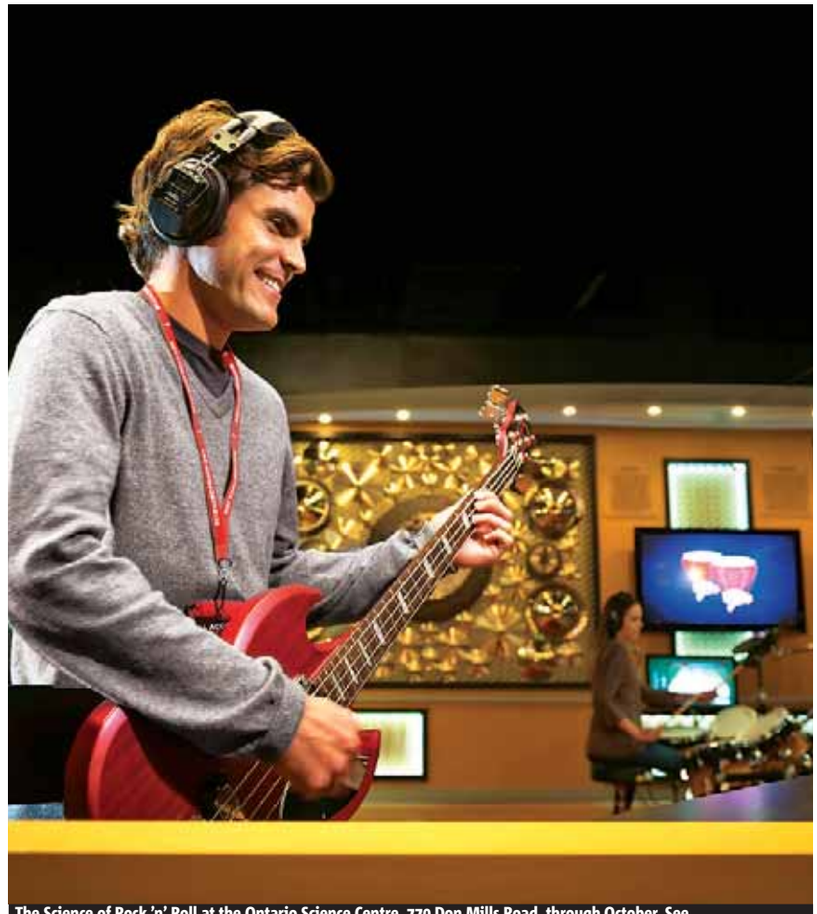

The Science of Rock 'n' Roll at the Ontario Science Centre, 770 Don Mills Road, through October. See ontariosciencecentre.ca for full details. CONTRIBUTED

Today, technical achievements overshadow artistic breakthroughs in the music world. Over the past decade and a half, Napster, iPods and streaming services replaced Elvis, the Beatles and the Rolling Stones as popular music's defining innovators.

But science has also played an integral role in the innovation of music itself since the 19th century, a long-term relationship that's explored in the Ontario Science Centre's new exhibit, the Science of Rock 'n' Roll.

"Rock and all of popular music is so completely in lock-step with technology and science," says Alan Cross, broadcaster and weekly music columnist for Metro, who was tasked with creating the exhibit's content. "It couldn't exist without it."

The history of rock is usually one of artists, but Cross offers up a different approach, one defined by the technical innovations that allowed our musical heroes to push the boundaries of their art.

The transistor radio hit the market around the time rock mushroomed, capturing teenagers who could listen to their favourite broadcasts anywhere they could tune in. Meanwhile, artists like Herb Alpert and the Grateful Dead, frustrated with the sound quality offered by cheap public address systems, used their growing fortunes to push the development of speaker technology.

But the story isn't just one of recording and transmission. Music and science remain intertwined even without electricity. In the early 20th century, scientists and musicians decided that concert pitch, the A note above middle C on a piano and the note from which all other notes are referenced, would be set at a frequency of 440 hz.

"That standardizes how to tune around the world."

Whatever aspect of the story resonates with attendees, Cross and the Ontario Science Centre hope visitors leave with a better sense of science's role in the world.

"It penetrates every aspect of our lives," says Cross. "If you want to understand, get ahead or get a job in our world, you need to know the basics."

Rock is science, too

The Science of Rock 'n' Roll is a touring exhibit developed by Toronto-based Elevation Productions. Elevation already had the displays they wanted to showcase, but they needed someone who could contribute the specifics or the story. They contacted Alan Cross about the job two years ago. "They gave me three months to do it," he recalls. But the deeper he dug, the more stories he found. The show has already played in three U.S. cities, including Detroit. But because of the local connections, "this is its big coming out," says Cross. Check out scienceofrock.com for a taste of what to expect at the exhibit.

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Listen to what Bill Paxton has to say about his character in Edge of Tomorrow.

Bill Paxton lets loose about new film

Edge of Tomorrow.
Actor rambles happily about new sci-fi flick and that infamous Aliens line

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News in Hollywood

The first thing you learn when you talk to Bill Paxton is that the man likes to talk. When they connect us on the phone, he's already in mid-sentence, using my name as a jumping-off point to talk about Australian folk legend Ned Kelly. I learned quickly it's best to just let the Edge of Tomorrow star go.

What he's saying when the phone connects:
The wild colonial boy! Ned Kelly, Ned Kelly, line one! Get out of here, you're the wild colonial boy!

Why we're not speaking in person:
We're talking from Durango, Mexico — old Mexico. The land time forgot. This is a really old, old town, and I didn't realize much about it aside from the fact that it was a famous movie town for John Wayne and Sam Peckinpah in days of yo. Yo, what's up? My .45-calibre pistol! (laughs). It's a great, old historic Spanish town, and we're all staying here. We just started shooting Texas Rising, a new miniseries for History. It's kind of their first big followup to Hatfields and McCoys. It's the same producers, but this time we're helmed by the great Roland Joffe. Really digging his chili.

On finally seeing Edge of Tomorrow — but in Mexico:
What I've heard is it's playing like gangbusters. I haven't seen it. I'm going to see it. Down here it's called Al filo del mañana. Sounds like "I'll feel you up tomorrow." I saw a lobby card at the mall here. I think it opens here on the sixth, but it might open a week later.

Tom Cruise, left, and Bill Paxton in a scene from Edge of Tomorrow. DAVID JAMES/AP PHOTO/WARNER BROS

On the film coming out on the 70th anniversary of the D-Day invasion:
Weirdly enough, I think that fell on a coincidence. It's just one of those things. When they're picking those dates, they're not picking them for historical significance. They pick them for maximum commercial impact. With X-Men and Godzilla on one side and Guardians of the Galaxy on the other, you've got to get in when you can. I think the reason Warner Bros. is downplaying that is out of respect. This has a very similar kind of set-up, but I think they didn't want to exploit that fact. You've got this alien horde who have taken Europe, much like the blitzkrieg of the Nazis, and now the Allies — or the Federation, I forget what the hell we're called — we're spearheading a counter-invasion out of England, which of course means Normandy. I could see my character, who's a career soldier and steeped in military history, kind of getting off on the fact that tomorrow we're invading France again. That wasn't lost on me and Tom [Cruise] while we were shooting it, but it just happened to fall on that date.

On the legacy of his "Game over, man, game over!" line from Aliens:
Hell, that's one I'll never live down. It's certainly a beloved character, and it's amazing to think that after all this time that each generation discovers Aliens and embraces it. It's kind of like the Wizard of Oz of sci-fi movies. You might want to skew that a little different. It's nice when you can satisfy the hardest critic of all, and that's time.

Quoted

"You've got this alien horde who have taken Europe, much like the blitzkrieg of the Nazis, and now the Allies — or the Federation, I forget what the hell we're called — we're spearheading a counter-invasion out of England, which of course means Normandy."

Bill Paxton, actor
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Sharon Switzer, curator for PATTISON OneStep's Art in Transit, talks Luminato over sauvignon blanc and summer dishes at Oliver and Bonacini's Luma. ANDREW DOBSON

Sharon Switzer is the national arts programmer and curator for PATTISON OneStep's Art in Transit and will be partnering with the Luminato Festival for the first time this year to present Take On Me, a new work featuring local artists in dialogue with visiting Luminato festival performers.

Switzer has been an active member of the Toronto arts scene for more than 20 years. In that time she has curated exhibitions, served as a jury member for a number of festivals and taught extensively at the University of Western Ontario and OCAD. Her groundbreaking work with Art in Transit has put Toronto on the map as an art-meets-commuter innovator.

"I started the program in 2007 and at the time was organizing three projects a year and now, seven years later, we're programming over 25 installations," she says.

Switzer credits much of the program's success to collaboration. "Toronto is a city of festivals and Art In Transit has been a perfect platform for partnership. I've had the privilege of partnering with the CONTACT Photography Festival, World Pride, Caribbean Carnival and now Luminato."

Renowned artists Asian Punk Boy Terence Koh, magician Rob Zabrecky and scratch DJ Kid Koala have created 30-second videos about their work. Toronto artists such as Sean Frey, Luke Painter and Ulysees Castellanos will then respond with their own creative digital dreams.

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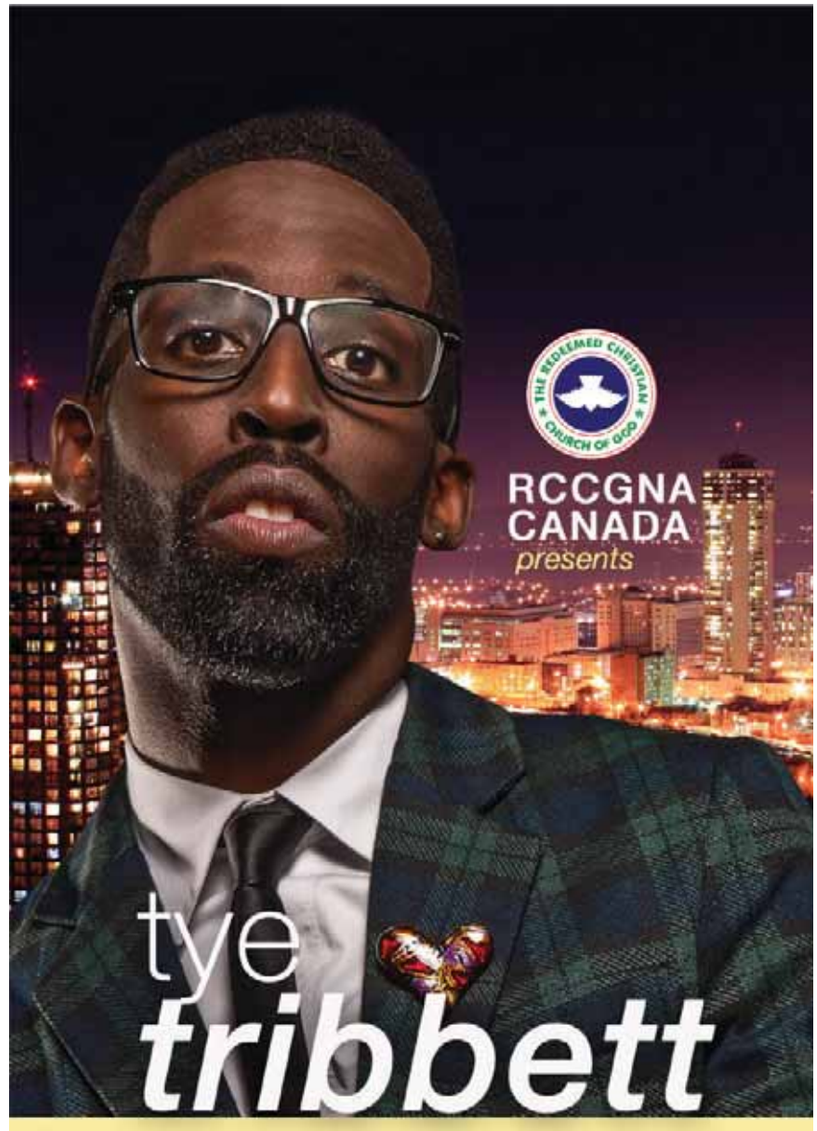

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In post-breakup, Mayer becomes muse to Katy Perry

At this point, we'll soon be able to put out a compilation album of songs written about John Mayer. His most recent ex, Katy Perry, tells Cosmopolitan that fans shouldn't be surprised to hear some tunes on forthcoming albums inspired by their breakup. "There's no bad blood, but I'm sure there will be inspired songs," she tells the magazine.

Taylor Swift, another of Mayer's exes, also penned a tune or two about the singer.

Mayer, for his part, isn't too worried about the output. "I have super-strength for gang-ups," he tells TMZ. "I'm fine. That's what you're supposed to do, man. You're supposed to write songs. You're just not supposed to tell everybody you're doing it."

Nick Loeb's pals couldn't be happier about split from Sofia Vergara

Last month, Sofia Vergara announced the end of her two-year engagement to Nick Loeb, and apparently his friends are thrilled by the news, according to Page Six. "I'm happy to see her go. Good riddance," one of businessman Loeb's pals said, shooting down claims that Loeb was using the relationship to ride Vergara's coattails.

According to the friend, the Modern Family actress was "rude" during group dinners, ignoring others and constantly checking her phone and Twitter account. "She only joins the conversation if it's about her."

Sofia Vergara

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

50 blames his terrible pitching on too much hand practice

MELINDA TAUB
Metro World News in New York City

50 Cent is sure living life to the fullest this summer. First he throws the worst first pitch ever at a Mets game. Then he has a rival robbed onstage. Now he says he masturbated so much he hurt his bones.

No, not that bone.

Fiddy is blaming that dismal first pitch on a sort of repetitive stress injury. In his Reddit AMA Tuesday, he said, "I have a skeletal muscle injury from excessive masturbation so take it easy lol."

Will do! Then again, most of us do not have to pitch at Major League baseball games, so we are free to abuse ourselves as extravagantly as we choose, no matter how fraught with peril our technique may be.

In that same AMA, 50 Cent also said he used to bench press 405 pounds, so perhaps the injury had other causes. He also showed his nerdy side: When asked what would be his dream movie role, he replied, "One of the Marvel franchise. Or Star Wars."

Just be careful how many times you swing the light sabre.

Kourtney Kardashian

Kourtney Kardashian is expecting, many selfies to follow

The Kardashian-Jenner family may still be on a high from Kim's wedding, but now they have another reason to celebrate. Kourtney and boyfriend Scott Disick are reportedly expecting their third child. Us Weekly is reporting that she is a few months along, and you can count on the mag — as well as other tabloids — to document her ever-growing bump throughout the coming months.

So far, the couple and the Kardashian clan haven't officially announced the pregnancy in the press or on social media. But you know this family can't keep quiet for long.

Kardashian and Disick have two children together already.

Twitter

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The guy down the street listens to talk radio with this front door open, like it's his job to scare the kids in the neighbourhood.

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Fashion designers are turning to crowdfunding to boost brand buzz, profile and bottom line

Sunny Fong recently reached out to online donors to expand his VAWK label. In a video on his Indiegogo fundraising page, Fong appealed for help to stage his World MasterCard Fashion Week runway show in Toronto in March as well as aid to launch his label's first online store. KEITH BEATY / TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Dylan Uscher works mainly with independent boutiques to feature his creations, but the designer hopes that crowdfunding will help elevate his label from budding brand to booming success.

The self-taught American designer recently moved back to Boston after eight years in Toronto where he launched Dylanium Knits in 2010.

Uscher has partnered with Luevo — a Canadian crowdfunding platform for designers — to help pre-sell his fall collection of knitwear inspired by Florentine architecture. His online campaign ends June 15.

"It's always a struggle when you're an independent business owner because you have to work really hard to get the very little that you have," Uscher said. "This just seemed like a really great outlet to try and get some new sales."

All items in his collection featured on Luevo are 15 per cent less than the suggested retail price.

And Uscher will only produce them if the products reach designated targets among customers who've pledged to purchase the designs, which include scarves, a slouch hat and cape.

"Instead of using hypothetical market research or numbers that someone else has designed, you can put your own products out there and really test ... what products are going to work and what colours work and what doesn't," Uscher said.

"I think that's the really interesting way to approach it without having to go through all of the process of producing the items yourself and hoping that they sell."

Luevo co-founder Ana Caracaleanu said the site launched with its first designers in March and plans to keep the number of labels featured in their "curated marketplace" to under 10 for now, with campaigns of 30 to 45 days.

Luevo takes a 15 per cent commission from successfully funded projects but also works to support designers in other ways such as editing news releases and producing written content, she added.

"For the designers, the value that we bring is our technology to crowdsource items that are not yet produced. They don't have to pull the inventory," Caracaleanu said. "They could use us as a step in growing their businesses or scaling up, and then taking their productions to a larger site where they may be requested to have ... the inventory to put their items there."

Christopher Charlesworth is co-founder of HiveWire, a crowdfunding and crowdsourcing solutions provider. He isn't surprised to see designers pursuing crowdfunding as capital- and buzz-building strategy.

"We think there's a really unique opportunity for not only startup entrepreneurs but specifically for fashion designers because they can present truly unique wares that are literally unavailable quite often in any other place.

"For many startup designers, they don't have access to the traditional distribution channels. Crowdfunding allows them to connect directly with a unique audience that is potentially interested in their goods."

The platform also offers the opportunity to take risks with designs they might not be able to produce when dealing with a mainstream chain, Charlesworth noted.

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THIS EXTER SLOUCH HAT IN SILVER FROM DYLANIUM KNITS RETAILS FOR $105 BUT IS CURRENTLY SELLING ON LUEVO FOR $89.

The pros and cons of the crowdsourcing concept

Darren Meister, an associate professor of business at Western University in London, Ont., said he thinks a bigger risk from a fashion perspective is the ability to see the designs — and potential interest from consumers — posted online for all to see. That includes major retailers who may jump on creating their own versions.

- Yet Meister said he also sees the possibility of rewards for emerging designers using the platform to make their mark, and some sales in the process.
- What the crowdfunding model allows you is to try a more things, get more immediate feedback and improve your designs, he said. "If I'm a designer and I put up 20 designs and I see these three are the ones that are catching on, I'm probably going to focus on those three."

E-xclusivity

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Is T.O. building too many condos?

Surprisingly, no.
Toronto's skyline is sprinkled with new condo projects, but there's still plenty of room for development, says real estate guru

CONDO TRENDS
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A forest of cranes at the West Don Lands construction site looking west toward downtown Toronto in 2012. DUNCAN MCALLISTER/FOR METRO

It seems like every downtown street corner has one: a new condo project with its requisite crane sprouting from the ground like a monument to a new urbanity.

Are there too many condos units in the GTA? In 2013, condo sales slumped as an unprecedented supply of new units went on the market. With even more units on the way, many Torontonians have the impression that the city is overbuilt and wonder who will buy them all. So are there really more condos than buyers?

According to the experts, the answer is a resounding no.

Ben Myers, real estate guru with Fortress Real Developments and former executive vice-president at Urbanation, says there is plenty more room for growth in the GTA.

An interesting factor to consider is that the housing mix has shifted in a very short time frame.

"You have to look at it more than just condos. You have to look at it in the overall context of the Greater Toronto Area," says Myers.

"When you go back to 2001 and you look at the number of housing units that were completed, it was 13 per cent condo and 50 per cent single-detached housing. Last year, it was 50 per cent condos and 30 per cent single-detached homes. But when you look at the total number of units completed, they're fairly similar. It's been a shift within the overall market."

As a result, average household sizes have shrunk. In the past, a single-family home typically could accommodate five or six people.

Now a lot of the condos being built are one-bedroom and one-bedroom-plus-den. "For the most part, it's a lot of singles living in these units. So you have to build more units to accommodate the same amount of population growth," explains Myers.

Some condo watchers envision a scenario with floor upon floor of dormant, empty condo units with no buyers. Nothing could be further from the truth, says Myers.

"We're still below a long-run average in unsold units. I'm talking about all housing units in the Toronto CMA: singles, semis, rows, condominiums. There's only 1,360 units that were completed and unsold at the end of 2013. It's such a small number when you compare it to how many units we're completing on an annual basis. It's an unbelievably low number in comparison to a lot of the cities in Canada."

Shrinking households

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Legal Matters

Divorce dilemmas

My husband and I are going through a divorce. We have sold our home, which we purchased several years ago and it's worth a fair amount of money. I am anxious to access the proceeds of the sale so I can set up a new living arrangement and move on with my life. We have agreed to use the same lawyer to save time and costs. I have just received an email from the lawyer stating that all proceeds from the sale, minus the mortgage and any other hard costs, will be held in trust pending the outcome of our matrimonial dispute. What can I do?

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Your situation is quite common because, more often than not, the matrimonial home is the largest asset that couples own together. It is common for one or both parties to put a stop to paying out proceeds from the sale of a home until matters can be resolved. In this situation, your lawyer who is acting for both of you has absolutely no choice but to hold the funds in trust. The one consolation in all of this is: There is no greater motivation to settling matters than money just sitting in an account waiting to be paid out to parties if they can get their differences worked out.

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All decked out for summer

Sunny makeover. A DIY weekend transformed a tired deck into a bright, summertime retreat

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The 40-year-old deck at the back of my house was in desperate need of some freshening up. Structurally it was sound, but the sun-bleached wood was in desperate need of some style inspiration. My inspiration came from sun-filled Miami, where the outdoor spaces are white, bright and accessorized with a pop of colour.

With the help of two friends I transformed an unused space into an outdoor entertaining area that works both day and night.

Here's some inspiration, and the products, that helped me get the look.

BEFORE: This deck was in serious need of some TLS (tender loving style).

AFTER: Following a quick weekend of painting and laying some new flooring, the old tired patio was ready for summer. The Dimplex Outdoor Fireplace (now discontinued) was purchased at a yard sale and creates a much-needed focal point while offering the look of an outdoor fire when entertaining at night. ALL PHOTOS CONTRIBUTED

Paint the wood white

A solid wood stain (similar to a paint) was applied not only to brighten the outdoor space but also to protect the wood from drying out further. I chose a cool, off-white putty colour to help calm the eye on a bright day. Pure white can sometimes be too glaring and often looks cheap. TimberCare Solid Colour Wood Stain, Cement Gray, $55, Para.com

Cushion a blue streak

For a cool-to-touch Miami feeling, I kept all the furnishings light in tone and accessorized with hits of blue and green. Zuo Modern Maclear Outdoor Sofa, $1,450, Lowes.ca

It's easy being green

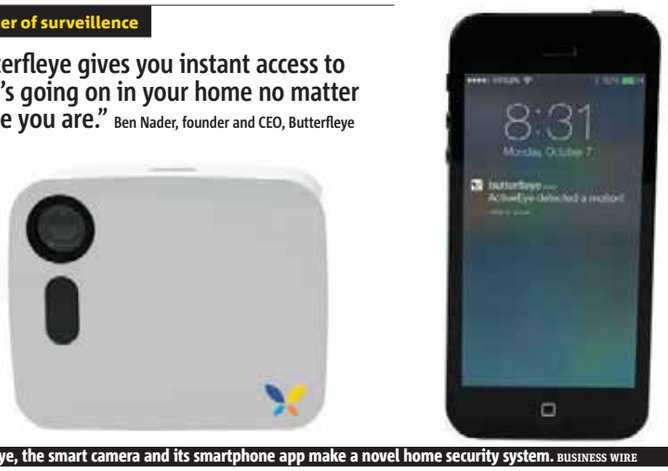
I'm not much of a gardener, so the simplest way to get a shot of green on the deck was to use artificial grass. Delivered as a roll, it lays flat on the existing deck, can be vacuumed, cleaned with a garden hose, is fade-resistant and stays cool on the sunniest of days. UZ-ITE Green Grass Shag Carpet, $19/yard HomeDepot.ca

A real shady deal

No trees by my deck means the need for shade when entertaining. One day, a retractable awning (a dream) will get installed. Until then, a super-chic, free-standing umbrella will keep things cool. Karlso Umbrella, $90, IKEA.ca

Master of surveillence

"Butterfleye gives you instant access to what's going on in your home no matter where you are." Ben Nader, founder and CEO, Butterfleye



Butterfleye, the smart camera and its smartphone app make a novel home security system. BUSINESS WIRE

Will Butterfleye take flight?

Crowdfunding clever camera. Smart Butterfleye senses when to take pictures, making it a promising home security device

Equal parts guard dog and personal photographer, it's a camera with a quirky name that is focused as much on home security and peace of mind as it is on life logging, and its creators are hoping it can crowdfund its way into consumers' homes.

As a proposition, the Butterfleye is quite clever as it manages to tap into a number of emerging consumer tech trends: the quantified self, smart homes, life logging and the selfie. And of course, there's an app involved.

A small, wireless, battery-powered stills and video camera with some clever algorithms and technologies running in the background, the Butterfleye is there to inconspicuously and automatically capture all of those Kodak moments that life throws forth. No need to reach for the DSLR, camcorder or smartphone, the Butterfleye "recognizes" when something's happening and starts snapping.

It also eradicates the current photo-based problems of group shots that are always missing one person — the one holding the camera; and worse still, the posed shots when the camera is on a timer and everyone has 10 seconds to get into position.

The Butterfleye's shots should always be clear and in focus, too. It packs a proximity sensor, has facial recognition for pulling focus, and is calibrated to shoot in low light without a flash.

The stills and HD videos it captures are saved to its internal disk and can also be uploaded to the cloud. The device's makers will be offering cloud storage as an optional extra when the camera officially goes on sale in 2015.

But regardless of where the snaps are saved, using the supporting iPhone app makes it easy to view and download them again and of course to share them via any number of social networks.

The device is already available for pre-order via the company's site for $149, an early adopter special price, $50 less than its planned retail price.

As well as snagging pre-orders that won't be fulfilled for another 12 months, Butterfleye will also be looking to crowdfunding to bring the device to the masses and to increase awareness. AFP

I spy with my Butterfleye

Where the Butterfleye could come into its own is as a surveillance and remote communication device.

- Users can get a live video feed of what's happening at home simply by launching the smartphone app, no matter where in the world they are.
- "Butterfleye gives you instant access to what's going on in your home no matter where you are. It will not only send you pictures and videos that you can share via social media, but will allow you to take a live look inside your home whenever you want, giving you peace of mind that your loved ones and valuables are safe," said Ben Nader, founder and CEO, Butterfleye.
- The same technology that helps the camera recognize when an exciting social happening is unfolding also helps it understand when to snap into action as a surveillance device. Rather than filming constantly day and night, its learning software enables it to understand when people are at home and when they're out.
- Its sensors mean that the camera automatically starts snapping and filming again when a person or a pet enters a room that was empty. The device can also be triggered when it registers certain sounds.
- And in terms of audio, it can be used for two-way communication. So, like with a long-distance intercom, a user can tune in and talk to and see the rest of the family if stuck in traffic or away on business.

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Let nature have its way with your lawn. Wildflowers, native species are alternatives to traditional grass turf

It's the time of year when homeowners devote countless hours to keeping their lawns lush and green only to have watering restrictions imposed by many municipalities later in the season — causing lawns to dry out and even turn brown.

All that time and labour invested in keeping a lawn green with sometimes a disappointing outcome is leading many homeowners to consider alternatives.

Christian Barnard, owner of Victoria's Christian Barnard Land Studio, says many of his clients are beginning to ask him about options other than traditional turf.

Biodiversity

"A lot of the clients I have now are looking for something that is more biodiverse, because they equate turf with high resource input," says Barnard. "When homeowners think of turf, they think of lawn mowers and Weed Eaters, and so they should to a certain degree." One of his clients trained dogs in her 15-by-15-metre plot of grass. In her case turf was never going to be a long-lasting or easy-care option, and he recommended artificial or synthetic turf.

Synthetic turf

"Synthetic turf has come a long, long way, and it is amazing how real it can look. But if I had my way I tend to steer a lot of my clients into a more biodiverse option for turf," he says.

Wild flowers

Barnard trained in the United Kingdom before coming to Victoria, and he recommended to a lot of clients to let their turf lawns naturalize, which means reducing the mowing and trimming, and allowing native wildflowers to return. He also says he used a wildflower seed mix instead of turf.

Embrace weeds

With 171 municipalities across Canada, and all of Ontario and Quebec, banning pesticide and herbicide use, a certified horticulturalist says homeowners have to develop a tolerance for weeds in their lawns.

"People are looking at their lawns and what was the status quo and realizing they can't have the green weed-free lawn anymore, and looking for alternatives," says Jason Erb, owner of Victoria's The Gardeners of Oliphant.

Garden beds

The easiest alternative for homeowners looking to move away from turf is to reduce the overall amount. Erb says this can be done by increasing the size of garden beds to cut down on the amount of lawn.

Hardscaping

Introducing hardscaping like patios and pathways is another option for reducing lawn space, and Erb says pathways can add flow to a backyard.

Grow edibles

"The other alternative is veggies and pushing the need for edibles in a landscape," he says.

Erb encourages homeowners to carve out segments of a large turf lawn to create raised beds and plant fruit trees and even berry bushes like raspberries. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Greener than grass

"One man's weed is another man's flower."

Christian Barnard, owner of Victoria, B.C.'s Christian Barnard Land Studio

Allowing a lawn to naturalize rather than constantly maintaining a traditional turf lawn is an alternative some experts recommend.

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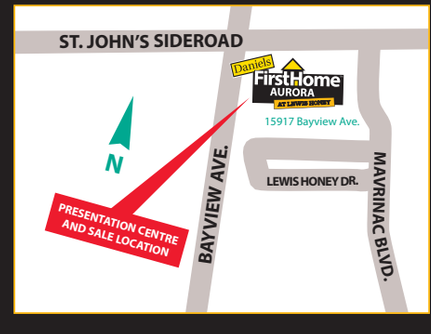

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Luxurious living in Leaside

The Upper House in Leaside will feature multiple terraces surrounded by landscaped gardens. CONTRIBUTED

Meet the condo

- **What.** The Upper House
- **Builder.** Knightstone Capital Management Inc.
- **Interiors.** Chase International Consultants in Design Inc.
- **Location.** Laird Drive and Millwood Road
- **Building.** 7 storeys with 74 suites and 7 two-storey towns
- **Pricing.** From the low $300,000s
- **Status.** Pre-construction, registration phase
- **Occupancy.** October 2016
- **Website.** TheUpperHouseCondos.com

The project overview

A proposed seven-storey brick building with a stone base surrounded by landscaped gardens and patios. The upper portion of the building steps back with multiple terraces respecting the residential characteristic and scale of its neighbourhood.

Location and transit

Located in Leaside in East York, residents will have a choice of several TTC bus routes and quick access to all points north and south along the Don Valley Parkway. You can be in the downtown core within 30 minutes.

In the neighbourhood

There are plenty of local merchants and big-box retailers, such as Leaside Village shopping mall, Sobeys, Home Depot and Best Buy. You can stroll or bike through Crothers Woods and Lower Don Parklands. Close to the Leaside Memorial Gardens and Arena.

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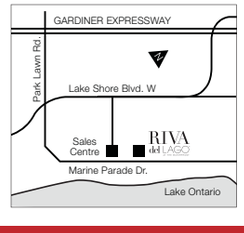

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With more than 100,000 people and 50,000 jobs coming to the GTA every year, there have been many discussions on how to shape the city's transportation system to fit the growing population.

An integrated, comprehensive transit system is critical to the functioning of our neighbourhoods, as well as the economic well-being of our region.

According to BILD member Barry Lyon of N. Barry Lyon Consultants, intensification plays a key component in transit funding, as it increases ridership levels to help cover operational costs.

He believes government must work together with the development industry on intensifying development around transit stations. This should make the construction of new lines quicker and more cost-effective.

"The public doesn't understand yet how critically important intensification is to ridership," he says. "The key objective on all new transit lines should be generating ridership through responsible intensification so as not to burden future generations with future operating losses."

Intensification along transit corridors is also a major component of the provincial growth plan.

Lyon believes that while government has done a great job of encouraging density, we are still not getting enough support from the communities on intensification. The alternative, however, is staggering operating losses if new transit lines don't reach necessary ridership levels.

BILD has long advocated for a fair funding strategy. On behalf of new homeowners, the industry will continue to do its fair share, but it's important to find a balanced approach. All residents of the GTA are responsible for funding transit that everyone in our region will use.

What's hot on the condo market

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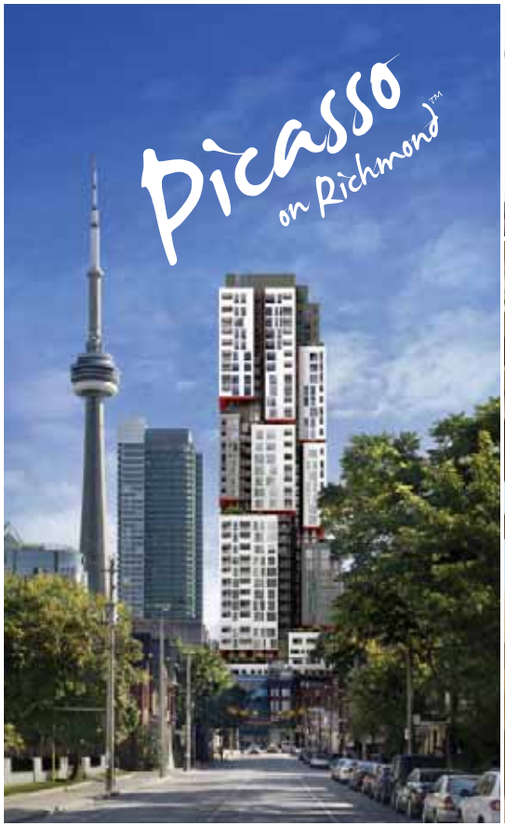

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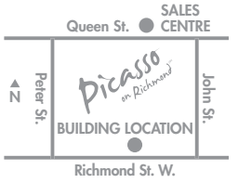

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More daffodils?

Make room for new growth. Tips to keep daffodils flowering

Now that daffodil bloom time has passed, some gardeners might be wondering where their flowers were. If some plants remained all leaves, with few or no flowers, why was that?

It might be that overhanging trees have made the location too shady. But the more likely culprit is the plant's age.

As a daffodil bulb gets older, baby bulbs, called offsets, develop snuggled up against its side. You can picture this most clearly if you realize that a daffodil bulb is, essentially, a compressed stem. That stem is the "plate" at the base of the bulb, and the leaves are the fleshy scales up and around it.

Just as any stem eventually makes side branches, a bulb also, with time, "branches." These branches — the offsets — likewise beget their own babies. So what you have over time is a lot of bulbs of varying sizes packed into a very small space.

The offsets won't flower until they reach a certain size. If they are too crowded, they have trouble reaching that size. The result: Few or no blooms. (It pays, then, when purchasing bulbs, to get large ones; they make more flowers their first spring.)

Give the bulbs more elbow room

The obvious solution is to give each developing bulb more room. Dig up the bulbs and separate them as soon as the foliage turns brown. The youngest ones, the ones that have just split off from their mothers, are spoon-shaped. Older ones are round and, if large enough, will each house a single flower bud, possibly two. The larger the bulbs, the better the blooms.

No need to plant the divided bulbs back in the ground immediately. Bulb nurseries store their daffodil bulbs out of the soil in a cool room. It is during the summer, when the bulbs are apparently dormant, that buds inside the bulbs morph into flower buds. Optimum conditions for this change in daffodils are when storage is at 75 per cent humidity and temperatures are around 60 degrees. Easiest, of course, is just to stick the bulbs back in the ground, giving each one enough room to develop and make babies for a few years.

With good conditions, a spoon-shaped baby becomes a small flowering bulb after a year, and in another year that small flowering bulb can make two flower buds. After another year, the "double-nose," as it's called, is making offsets of its own. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The secret to keeping the bloom on your daffodils is in the bulbs. The older the bulbs are, the more they need thinning. GETTY IMAGES

Baby bulbs like to snuggle

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As a daffodil bulb gets older, baby bulbs, called offsets, develop snuggled up against its side. You can picture this most clearly if you realize that a daffodil bulb is, essentially, a compressed stem. That stem is the "plate" at the base of the bulb, and the leaves are the fleshy scales up and around it.

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- Daffodils like moderately rich soil that stays moist, but is not soggy.
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- No tying it up or tucking it beneath other plants' leaves either, as is sometimes recommended for hiding the foliage out of sight. The leaves need light to fatten up their attendant bulbs.
- Daffodils do not need this digging and dividing operation every year, which is one reason they are among the best bulbs for naturalizing.
- Don't begrudge them the operation when it is finally needed, for you can never have too many daffodils.

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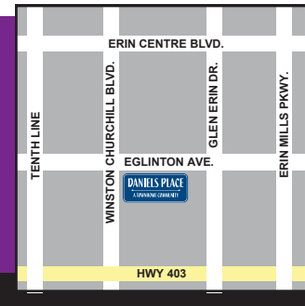

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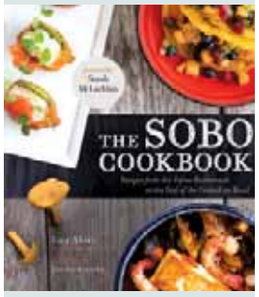
The B.C. coast comes to your home



Sophisticated Bohemian (Sobo) has gone from food truck to destination restaurant in Tofino, B.C. to a cookbook. Lisa Ahier (the restaurant's chef and owner) has teamed up with Andrew Morrison (a food writer) for a release that focuses on locally sourced, seasonally inspired ingredients — just like the restaurant that inspired it. Among the 100 recipes included are: Crab and Goat Cheese Wontons, BBQ Bison Flank Streak, Thai Chicken in Roti, Mascarpone Cheesecake and more. METRO

The best of the west: Killer Fish Tacos

Lunch or dinner. Nothing screams summer more than fresh fruit, and this recipe takes nature's and mixes it with crispy fish

"I've always adjusted this recipe according to what fish is readily available. In New York, I used snapper, and in Texas, I used bass," writes Lisa Ahier in her book The Sobo Cookbook.

"Here in B.C., salmon and halibut have become my all-time favourites. This recipe was featured in The Best American Recipes 2000, edited by Fran McCullough and Suzanne Hamlin, and in The Gourmet Cookbook, edited by Ruth Reichl."

1. Prepare the fresh fruit salsa.

2. Cut the salmon and halibut into 1-inch cubes and season with salt.

3. Heat the oil in a large frying pan over medium-high heat. Add the onion and sauté for 1 minute. Add the fish and fry for about 3 minutes, until just cooked Add the chipotle chilies and sauté for 2 or 3 more minutes. Remove from the heat.

4. Fill the taco shells halfway with the fish mixture, then top with the salsa. Serve immediately, two tacos per person.

Fresh Fruit Salsa

This salsa should reflect the season, so don't be a slave to the recipe. I mix it up all the time, combining fruits like peaches and blueberries with watermelon, or pineapple with avocado. Buy what's fresh.

1. Combine all ingredients and refrigerate until ready to use. This salsa will stand up for about 24 hours, after which time the fruit begins to break down.

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Ingredients

- Fresh Fruit Salsa (see below)
- 1 lb wild salmon, boneless and skinless
- 1 lb halibut, bonelesss and skinless
- 1 tbsp salt
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1 cup small-diced red onion (about 1 onion)
- 1/2 cup puréed canned chipotle chilies in adobo sauce
- 16 crispy hard taco shells

Fresh Fruit Salsa

- 4 kiwi fruits, diced small
- 1/2 pineapple, diced
- 1 mango, diced small
- 1 small papaya, diced small
- 2 avocados, diced small
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh cilantro

This recipe serves eight. JEREMY KORESKI

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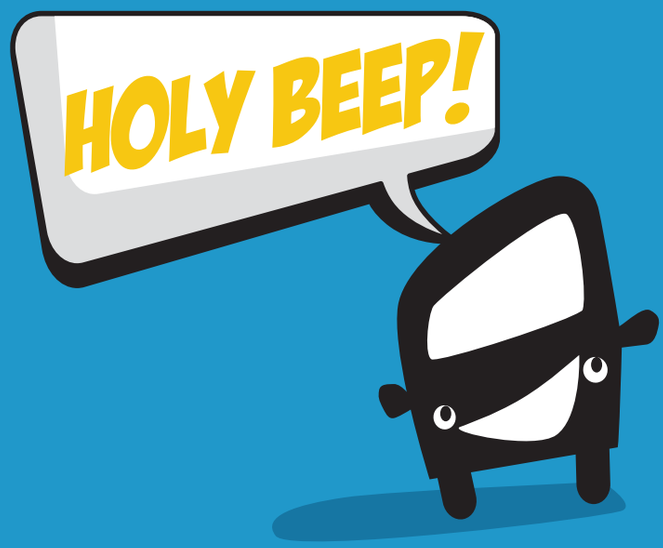

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Are you looking for more ways to contribute positively to the environment in your everyday life? Shop second-hand.

The clothing you wear and give away can make a big impact on the environment. On average, each North American throws away more than 30 kilograms (68 pounds) of clothing and textiles each year.

The good news is that nearly 100 per cent of that is reusable or recyclable. So this season while you are combing through your closet, packing away your sweaters and getting out those shorts and T-shirts, make your spring extra green by donating your clothes and household items at Value Village.

"Donating the clothes you don't need anymore is a simple, easy way for anyone to go green in their everyday lives," says Tony Shumpert, vice-president of recycling operations for Value Village. "It might seem like a small contribution, but over time one person can make a really big difference."

Value Village is one of the largest recyclers of used clothing in the world, keeping more than 294,000 metric tonnes (approximately 650 million pounds — that's the size of two cruise ships) of quality goods from landfills by selling reusable items in-store and responsibly recycling items unsuitable for resale.

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Last year, Value Village repurposed 329 million tops, 59 million pairs of shoes, 114 million pairs of pants and 28 million coats.

Of course, second-hand shoppers are just as important as donors. Visiting your local thrift store is a great way to find good quality, one-of-a-kind items for excellent prices. Shoppers can look good and go green at the same time.

"Value Village works with community partners like Big Brothers Big Sisters and the Canadian Diabetes Association to keep goods out of landfills and give pre-loved clothing a brand new life," Shumpert says. "You never know what treasures you'll find — thrift shopping makes recycling fun."

For more, visit valuevillage.com.

SUPPORTING COMMUNITIES

Make room for your fresh new finds by cleaning out the old clothes you don't wear anymore. Value Village pays local non-profits every time you donate, helping to support their programs and services within the community.

"Our goal at Value Village is to support our communities across Canada," says Tony Shumpert, vice-president of recycling operations for Value Village. "We consider community investment an essential component of our business."

Over the past 10 years, Value Village has purchased more than $1.5 billion of goods from its partners, turning otherwise unused items into sustainable funding that supports the non-profit's vital community programs and services.

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Dig through fashion gold mines

Unique style is a coveted quality. This is true now more than ever thanks to street style blogs like the Sartorialist, Street Peeper, Face Hunter, and many others.

"Second-hand shopping has become the fashionista's secret weapon," says Tony Shumpert, vice-president of recycling operations for Value Village. "You never know what you're going to find there, and sometimes it's a gold mine."

Here's how to find your style at Value Village:

LOOK FOR HIGH-QUALITY MATERIALS

The fabrics you choose will make a difference in the longevity of your garments. Keep your eyes open for high-quality textiles like silk or wool. These materials wear well, last a long time and never go out of style. Value Village purposely selects high-quality clothing, and puts more than 5,000 to 10,000 new items out every day.

CHECK THE LABEL

Chanel, Nike, Lululemon, Aritzia brands such as Wilfred and TNA — high-quality brand names are frequent finds at Value Village. As you are sifting through the racks, watch the labels. You will find items for $10 that would have originally retailed for hundreds.

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TRY IT ON

At Value Village, clothing is arranged by size so you can easily find the best fit for you, but since every item is different, make sure to try it on to find out how it fits.

KNOW WHEN TO SAY NO

Sometimes a clothing item just isn't for you. If it's not quite right, don't buy it. Or if you bought it and you are having second thoughts, bring it back. Value Village welcomes buyers to exchange their purchases within seven days so you can save your pocket money for items that feel just right.

CONSIDER GETTING IT TAILORED

If you find a $5 jacket in just the right shade of blue, but it doesn't quite fit, consider getting it altered at a tailor. It will still cost far less than it would new, and you will have a great piece that will last you for years.

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Value Village is one of the largest recyclers of used clothing in the world and diverts more than 650 million pounds of quality goods from landfills each year.

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Seitzer has Jays' hit parade crushing foes

MLB. Toronto among league leaders in key offensive statistics under new hitting coach

Blue Jays hitting coach Kevin Seitzer goes over some notes with Jose Bautista during a game against the Orioles on April 24 at Rogers Centre. Under the tutelage of Seitzer, the Jays offence is among the best in the league.
CARLOS OSORIO/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Toronto Blue Jays hitting coach Kevin Seitzer usually stands right behind the cage during batting practice while the players take their cuts.

From time to time, he'll move over to the side and will weigh in with a quick tip or two.

It's a comfortable approach that has paid dividends for the American League East division leaders, who boast an offence that is among the best in Major League Baseball.

"I think he's hands-on when he needs to (be), and he sits back and he watches when he needs to," said Blue Jays catcher Erik Kratz. "We have a lot of good hitters here and with good hitters comes success and some streakiness.

"He does a good job of limiting the bad streaks and extending the good streaks."

The team's offensive statistics over the first two months of the campaign have been eye-opening.

Entering Wednesday's games, the Blue Jays led the major leagues in home runs (83) and were second in runs scored (296), RBIs (281), slugging percentage (.451), hits (534) and OPS (on-base plus slugging — .784). Toronto was also tied for second in on-base percentage (.333) and sat fifth in team batting average (.264).

Seitzer keeps a close eye on all the numbers but values some statistical categories more than others.

"Runs scored is the one I'm most concerned about," he said. "If you're scoring runs, whether you do it by home runs, situational hitting, you've got to be able to get on base, draw walks, be able to move runners and get big hits when guys are in scoring position.

"It kind of encompasses everything, really."

The 52-year-old native of Springfield, Ill., was hired by the Blue Jays last fall after spending parts of five seasons as a hitting coach with the Arizona Diamondbacks and Kansas City Royals. He succeeded Chad Mottola, who spent one year in the position.

Seitzer, a two-time all-star as a player, had a .295 career average over 12 seasons with the Royals, Milwaukee Brewers, Oakland Athletics and Cleveland Indians.

As a coach, he has preached the importance of preparation and making hard, consistent contact in the box.

"Have an idea of what the pitcher has got and what he's going to try to do, and then what each guy needs to do in order to have the best chance to succeed," he said of his approach. "I like to keep things simple. I don't like it complicated, they don't want it complicated.

"They've made really good adjustments so far."

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Putting runs on the board

Three Toronto players are in the top 15 in the major leagues in runs scored: Jose Bautista (44 — tied for fourth), Edwin Encarnacion (41 — tied for seventh) and Melky Cabrera (37 — tied for 14th).

CFL

Simon closes book on historic career

The most prolific receiver in CFL history is calling it a career.

Slotback Geroy Simon announced his retirement Wednesday after 15 seasons.

The 38-year-old native of Johnstown, Pa., played 12 years with the B.C. Lions but finished his career with Saskatchewan, helping the Roughriders win the Grey Cup last year.

Simon spent his first two CFL seasons with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers and retires as the league's all-time leader in catches (1,029) and yards (16,352).

Simon was named the league's outstanding player in 2006 after registering 105 catches for 1,856 yards and 15 TDs with B.C., finishing that season with the first of three career Grey Cup title wins. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Moore-Bertuzzi case

Ex-Canucks owner can be subpoenaed to testify in lawsuit

A U.S. federal judge has ruled a subpoena can be issued compelling the former owner of the Vancouver Canucks to testify in a lawsuit arising from Todd Bertuzzi's career-ending attack on Steve Moore.

Moore's lawyer, Tim Danson, argued a jury should be able to hear John McCaw Jr. answer whether he knew Canucks players were gunning for Moore.

Moore is suing Bertuzzi and the Canucks for $38 million for a 2004 on-ice hit that left Moore with a concussion and three fractured vertebrae. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sterling agrees to sell Clippers: Attorney

Shelly Sterling and Donald Sterling are one step closer to being the former owners of the Clippers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Los Angeles Clippers owner Donald Sterling agreed Wednesday to sign off on selling the team to former Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer for what would be a record $2 billion, according to his attorney.

Sterling "has made an agreement with the NBA to resolve all their differences," and as co-owner has given his consent to a deal that was negotiated by his wife, Shelly Sterling, to sell the team, said attorney Maxwell Blecher.

Representatives for Shelly Sterling declined to comment. The NBA also declined to comment on Wednesday afternoon.

Donald Sterling filed a $1-billion suit against the NBA in federal court last week alleging the league violated his constitutional rights by relying on information from an "illegal" recording that publicized racist remarks he made to a girlfriend. It also says the league committed a breach of contract by fining Sterling $2.5 million and that it violated antitrust laws by trying to force a sale.

Blecher said the suit will be dismissed. If the NBA owners approve the sale, it will be a record-high sum for a team that cost Donald Sterling about $12 million in 1981. Blecher's co-counsel, Bobby Samini, said the vote by league owners is expected to take place in mid-July.

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Best bid

Steve Ballmer beat out bids by Guggenheim Partners and a group including former NBA all-star Grant Hill.

Sharapova goes from hero to foe for Bouchard

Tennis. Rising star from Montreal promises not to be star struck in French Open semifinal

Eugenie Bouchard looked up to Russia's Maria Sharapova when the Canadian was first getting started in the sport.

Now she'll get a chance to meet her in a Grand Slam semifinal.

Bouchard and Sharapova are scheduled to meet Thursday at the French Open with a spot in the women's singles championship on the line. The Russian star has a big edge in experience, but Bouchard has shown with her strong play of late that she won't be intimidated on court.

"For sure I respect her," Bouchard said. "But now we're in the semis of a Grand Slam, so I'm going to respect her but not put her too high on a pedestal and really just battle. That's what it's going to be.

"I will leave everything on court and just focus on myself and try my best to win."

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Superstar in the making?

"Of course she's a great champion, so to be seen as the next of someone who has won four Slams and has been No. 1 in the world, it's a compliment."

Eugenie Bouchard on being compared to Maria Sharapova

Impact top TFC for Canadian championship

Toronto FC's Luke Moore heads the ball away from the Impact's Patrice Bernier during the first half of the second leg of the Amway Canadian Championship final on Wednesday night in Montreal. The Impact scored in stoppage time for a 1-0 win to take the Voyageurs Cup and a trip to the CONCACAF Champions League. PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

World Cup. Ronaldo hobbling before Brazil

Portugal says forward Cristiano Ronaldo has tendinitis in his left leg to go with a left leg muscle injury as the team prepares for its World Cup opener on June 16 against Germany.

The Portuguese Football Federation also says in a medical report that Pepe, midfielder Raul Meireles and goalkeeper Beto all trained separately on Tuesday as they recover from injuries.

Ronaldo, the world player of the year, helped Real Madrid win the Champions League last month despite being hampered by leg injuries late in the season. Portugal is in the U.S., where it will play Mexico Friday and Ireland next week in friendlies. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cristiano Ronaldo is dealing with left leg injuries ahead of Portugal's World Cup opener against Germany on June 16. SHAUN BOTTERILL/GETTY IMAGES

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Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
What happens today may convince you that you have allowed yourself to be lulled into a false sense of security but even if it's true it is no big deal. You're smart enough to handle whatever fate sends your way.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
Why are you trying to do everything the hard way? Not only is it unnecessary but it could also be self-defeating. Be who you are, not who you think others want you to be.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
A challenge will confront you today but you will overcome it with ease. Take action quickly and don't doubt for a moment that you will succeed. Good things are coming your way.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
It is important that you think things through carefully today. There is a danger that you will act hastily and regret it later, so slow down, think about what it is you want to do and work slowly towards that goal.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
Something will happen today to make you wonder if you've been too hasty in reaching certain conclusions. Just because some people have a way of life that is radically different to your own does not make them bad.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
It may feel as if you're under the thumb at home and work, but there is no point getting stressed about it. Wait for the cosmic outlook to change, which it should do any day.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
You're in an adventurous mood but this may not be the best time to venture into areas you don't know about. Wait until the full moon on the 13th has come and gone before moving out of your comfort zone.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Stay calm and keep telling yourself that everything will turn out right in the end. Above all don't allow yourself to get worked up about money matters. There is no reason at all to fear the worst.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Things may get bumpy over the next day or two but if you sit tight the turbulence will pass. If others want to throw tantrums that's up to them. You are under no obligation to follow their example.

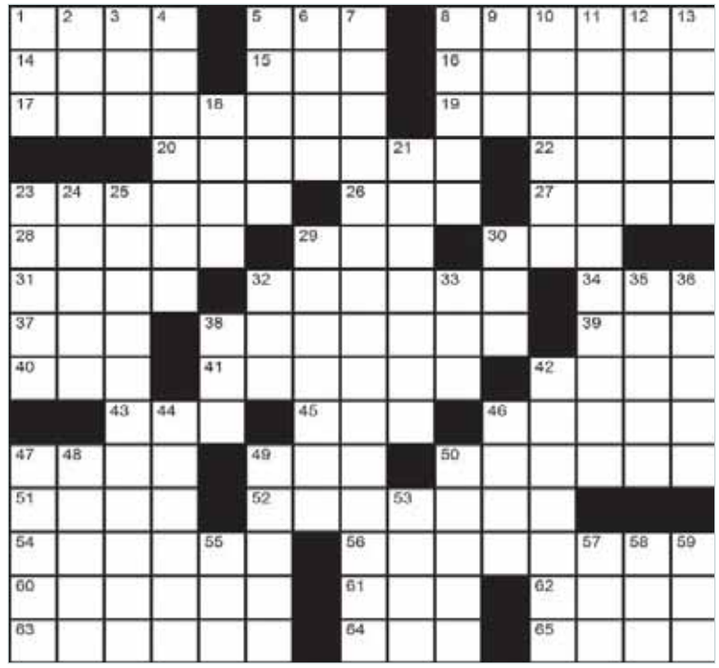
♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Current influences highlight the need to be efficient, to get the most from yourself for the least input of time and energy. Pace yourself and look for ways to get from A to B simply.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
A clash of egos could get rather heated over the next 24 hours, but the results should be positive. Hopefully it will get you thinking in new and more profitable directions.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Your world will be rocked by what happens over the next few days but later you will look back and realize it was all for the best. Ultimately all change is good for you. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

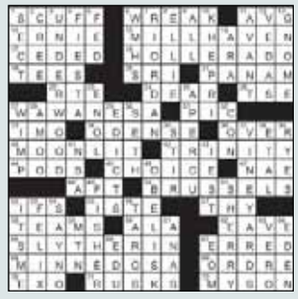
See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.
BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



Across
1. Hamilton actor, Jonathan __ (b.1924 - d.2012 ...see #17-Across and #11-Down)
5. Pal
8. Book buyer
14. Jane __
15. Mined mineral
16. Refined
17. Vampire on #11-Down, __ Collins (Johnny Depp resurrected the role in the 2012 movie version)
19. Barber's shave-ees
20. Grand
22. Gull-like bird
23. David Bowie's "Space __"
26. Firearm
27. Glimpse
28. "Groovy!"
29. Advantages
30. Grey hue
31. Jealousy
32. Ed of "Modern Family"
34. Basic bug
37. "Take __, _ insist!"
38. "Do the __": Hit for #25-Down
39. Agnus __ (Lamb of God)
40. But, Latin-style
41. Keith Urban hit: 2 wds.
42. Peace bird
43. Roll
45. Feeling flu-ish
46. Strength
47. Mideast chieftain, variantly
49. Crossword band
50. Population count
51. NFL's Ravens city, for short
52. __-Windsor Tunnel
54. Sea __ (Aquatic creature)
56. Yukon's most northerly point, __ Island
60. Meathead's wife
61. "Yikes!"
62. Eddy __ (One of 'The Buyers' on CBC's "Four Rooms")
63. England's ancient invaders
64. Toronto's Yonge, et. al.
65. Safecracker

Down
1. Aquarian's mo.
2. Scandinavian rug
3. Flawed in a way [abbr.]
4. Concentration
5. British police officer
6. Russian river
7. Fare featured on based-in-Toronto channel Fashion Television: 2 wds.
8. Singer/actor Mr. Blades
9. Afore
10. Puts down
11. Gothic series of 1966 to 1971 on which #1-Across starred as the character at #17-Across: 2 wds.
12. Result in: 2 wds.
13. Pronounce once more
18. Manual's opposite
21. Evita or Hair
23. Three Dog Night: "__ __ the loneliest number..."
24. Al __ (Pasta preference)
25. Montreal-born singer/songwriter: 2 wds. (More at #38-Across)
29. How laundry might accumulate: 3 wds.
30. Supermodel Carol
32. War on Poverty agcy.
33. Roman Myth: Household deity
35. Nephew: French
36. Levels
38. Alphabet sequence
42. There, there ...your makeup will run.": 2 wds.
44. Joint: Prefix
46. Shar-__ (Some dogs)
47. "_ __ Life" (1998)
48. Actress Ms. Gibbs
49. Writer Ms. Ferber's
50. Wine stoppers
53. Jackie Wilson's "__ Petite"
55. "Am _ __ your way?"
57. Furrow maker
58. Baby bird's birthplace
59. Account

Yesterday's Crossword



Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

	3		5		7		9	
		5				3		
	2		4		9		6	
	9	3				5	8	
8								9
	4	7				6	3	
	7		3		8		4	
		1				7		
	6		2		1		5	

Yesterday's Sudoku

9	1	3	5	7	4	8	6	2
2	7	8	1	6	3	5	9	4
5	4	6	9	2	8	7	1	3
3	2	1	8	4	9	6	5	7
6	9	5	2	1	7	3	4	8
7	8	4	3	5	6	1	2	9
1	3	2	4	8	5	9	7	6
8	5	7	6	9	2	4	3	1
4	6	9	7	3	1	2	8	5

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HWY: 7.2L/100 KM
CITY: 10.0L/100 KM▼

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